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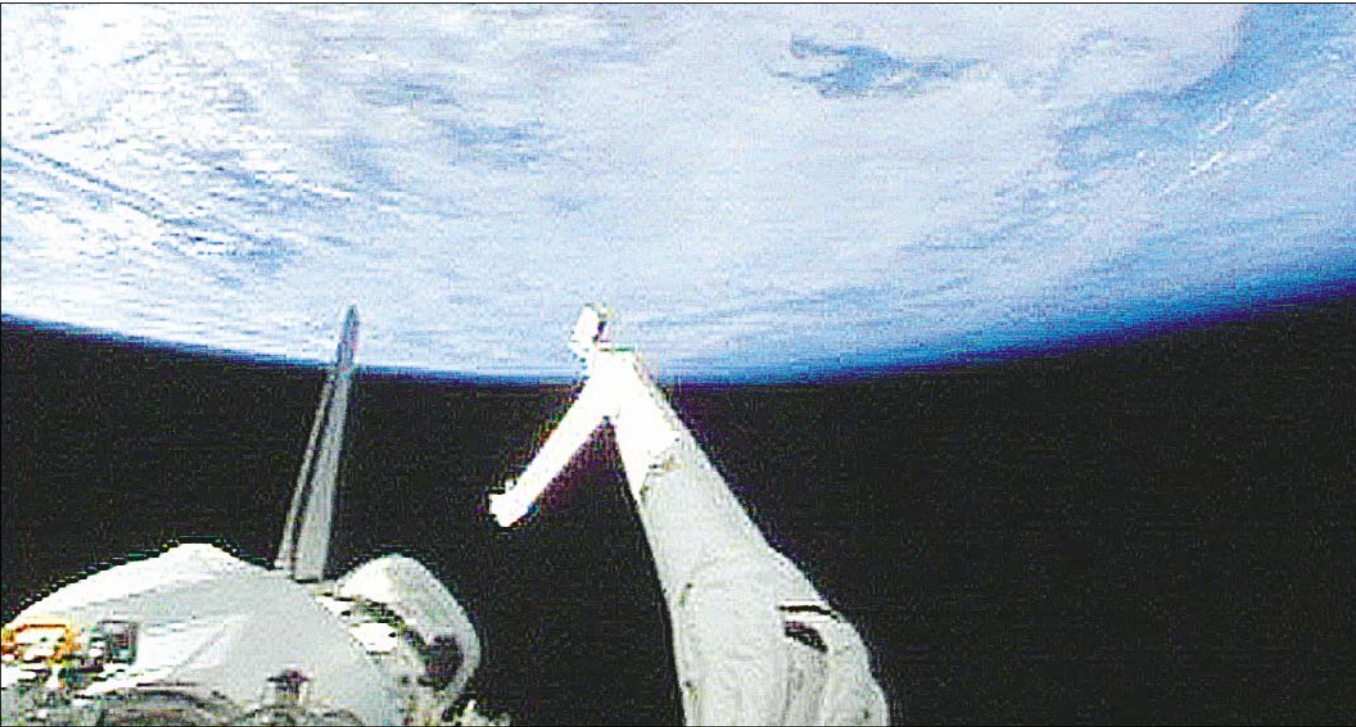
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SHUTTLE SAFETY | FALLING FOAM GROUNDS FLIGHTS



INSPECTION: A camera captures the tail and robot arm of the shuttle Discovery on Wednesday. After the crew completed a video scan of the shuttle, NASA announced it was grounding future flights because foam debris that brought down Columbia is still a risk. ♦ **Flight delays:** NASA focuses on foam | Page 3

Money, Strings for Metro

Bill would tie \$1.5B in federal funding to tighter oversight

WASHINGTON | Rep. Thomas M. Davis III plans to file a bill Thursday asking Congress to make a major new commitment to Metro and provide \$1.5 billion to keep trains, tracks, stations and buses in good repair and relieve crowding that threatens to overwhelm the system.

But the money, which no other transit system in the country would receive and which Metro says it deserves because of its unique role in carrying federal workers and visitors in the nation's capital, comes with strings attached.

The bill says Metro can have the funds only if it hires an inspector general, who would track the way the agency is managed and spends its money, investigate employee reports of wrongdoing and publicly report the findings.

The legislation also would add two seats to the Metro board of directors for representatives of the federal government.

"To get a billion and a half dollars out of my colleagues, they're not going to leave this

thing up to the District and the Virginia and Maryland locals," Davis said.

Finally, the bill stipulates that federal money would flow only if the Washington region creates a dedicated source of money for Metro, such as a portion of a sales tax earmarked for transit.

That is a significant political challenge to regional leaders and would require the approval of state legislatures in Maryland and Virginia as well as the D.C. Council.

LYNDESEY LAYTON (THE WASHINGTON POST)

♦ **'The gauntlet':** Davis' bill is a challenge and a crucial opportunity, a top Metro official says | Today's Post, A-1

DUI | Drinking and Pushing Don't Mix Two women who were moving their broken-down car Friday now face drunk driving charges in Portage, Ind., after the slow-moving vehicle hit a parked car. Kaylyn Kezy was pushing the disabled vehicle



to a parking lot, while Melissa Fredenburg steered, police said. Police said both women had blood-alcohol levels of 0.17 percent and were operating the vehicle while intoxicated — even though the car's engine wasn't working. (AP) **EyeOpeners** | Page 2

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PROFANITY

Polly's Got a Mouth Like a Truck Driver

A potty-mouthed parrot that was owned by a truck driver has been removed from public areas of a Nuneaton, England, animal sanctuary after verbally abusing visitors, Agence France Presse reported. "He's told a lady may-ress to f--- off, and he told a lady vicar, 'And you can f--- off as well,'" employee Stacey Clark said. Another time, he told two policemen: "And you



can f--- off, you two wankers." Barney picked up the phrases from TV or from his former owner. (EXPRESS)

ON-SITE

Easiest Bust They Made All Week

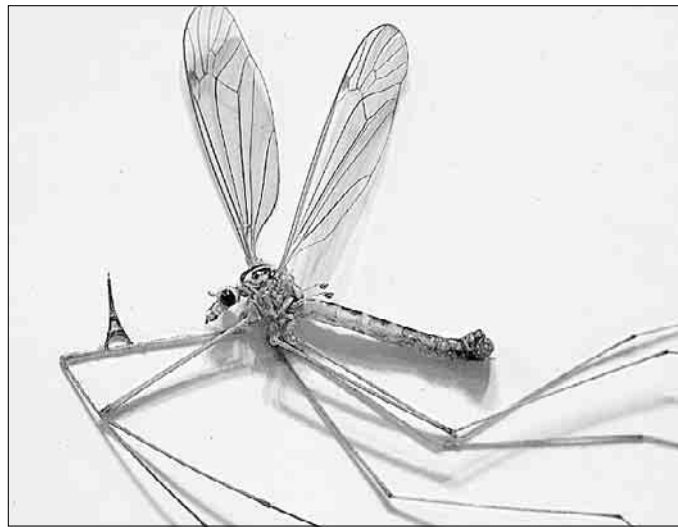
With the Toledo, Ohio, FBI office a few floors above him and the agent in charge waiting in line for his morning coffee, a thief picked the wrong coffee shop to rob Monday. Carl Spicocchi,

head of the office, and the store manager grabbed would-be robber Andrew Johnson after he jumped over the counter and threw the manager into a juice machine, police said. Spicocchi and two others subdued Johnson and got him on the ground, police said; other FBI agents in the building came down and handcuffed Johnson. (AP)

DIMINUTIVES

City of Bites

It still sucks your blood, but at least this skeeter is well-cultured. Anatoly Konenko's miniature Eiffel Tower, shown here with a preserved mosquito, was exhibited in Krasnoyarsk, Russia, on Wednesday. Konenko's all about small stuff — he's also made a gold cross that fits inside a human hair and a caravan of camels that sits inside the eye of a needle. (EXPRESS)



ILYA NAYMUSHIN/REUTERS

SOUVENIRS

Something's Afoot

Ezekiel Rubottom of Lawrence, Kan., has his left foot back exactly where he wants it — in a bucket on the front porch. Police returned the amputated foot Monday after seizing it Saturday. Because of infection, the foot was amputated three weeks ago; he kept it on the porch in a bucket of formaldehyde. Police received calls about it; officers investigating found the foot, but no owner, so they took it. "We had to make sure that no crime had been committed," said Sgt. Dan Ward. (AP)



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LOOK WHO'S TALKING: Sen. John McCain, mentioned as a possible 2008 presidential candidate, has reactivated his political action committee, known as Straight Talk America. He has said he'll wait until after the 2006 election to decide his future.



Nation

In Brief

WASHINGTON

Government Investigates Possible Case of Mad Cow

The government is investigating a possible new case of mad cow disease but says there is no threat to the U.S. food supply. Testing indicated the possible presence of the disease in a cow that died on the farm where it lived, John Clifford, the Agriculture Department's chief veterinarian, said Wednesday. The department is conducting further tests at its laboratory in Ames, Iowa, and is sending tissue to be tested by the internationally recognized laboratory in Weybridge, England. Results should come in the next week, he said. (AP)

ST. LOUIS

Emergency Divorce Granted For Wife of BTK Strangler

A judge waived the usual 60-day waiting period and granted an immediate divorce to the wife of BTK serial killer Dennis Rader, agreeing that her mental health was in danger. Rader didn't contest the filing or appear for Tuesday's hearing. In a chilling courtroom confession last month, Rader said sexual fantasies drove him to kill 10 people in the Wichita area between 1974 and 1991. (AP)



Rader

Bush Lobbies Congress for Trade Deal

Rare visit ahead of vote on Central America pact
WASHINGTON | The House headed toward a showdown Wednesday on the Central American Free Trade Agreement after President Bush told wavering Republicans that passing it was critical to national security.

The agreement eventually would eliminate tariffs and other trade barriers between the U.S. and Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, Nicaragua and the Dominican Republic. The trade deal was signed a year ago and approved by the Senate last month.

Opponents, mostly Democrats, blame free trade agreements for the overseas flight of American jobs and say labor provisions in the accord would perpetuate the exploitation of Central American workers.

Those fighting for passage say the agreement would open up markets for U.S. and manufacturers while making Central America's fledgling

democracies more stable.

U.S. exports to the region are modest — currently about \$15 billion a year. But the administration says it would be a mistake to turn away from a region just emerging from political turmoil.

“Mothers and fathers in El Salvador love their children as much as we love our children here.”

President Bush, stressing the need to look out for new democracies. Did his efforts work? | **Today, Page A1**

IN The Washington Post

All except perhaps a dozen Democrats were expected to vote against the agreement. That's why GOP leaders have concentrated on keeping Republican defections to a minimum. JIM ABRAMS (AP)



TWO BRANCHES: President Bush, Vice President Cheney and House Speaker Dennis Hastert head to a Republican conference Wednesday on Capitol Hill.

HEARSAY | TURNABOUT

“There's a remote chance that could change, but that's not my intention.”

—SEN. RICK SANTORUM, R-PA.
SAYING WEDNESDAY THERE'S A SLIGHT CHANCE HE MIGHT DECIDE TO MAKE A PRESIDENTIAL BID IN 2008 — TWO DAYS AFTER SAYING HE HAD NO INTENTION OF RUNNING.

Millennium Bomb Suspect Gets 22 Years

SEATTLE | An Algerian who plotted to bomb the Los Angeles airport on the eve of the millennium was sentenced to 22 years in prison Wednesday.

The sentence against Ahmed Ressay was significantly lower than the 35 years recommended by prosecutors, but it could have been even

shorter had Ressay agreed to testify against two alleged co-conspirators.

Ressay, 38, cooperated with the government for about two years, but had quit by 2003, claiming months of solitary confinement had taken their toll on his mental state.

Ressay was arrested in Port Angeles in December 1999 as he



Ressay

drove off a ferry from British Columbia with 124 pounds of bomb-making materials. Ressay had a one-night reservation for a hotel in Seattle, prompting the mayor to cancel New Year's celebrations. (AP)

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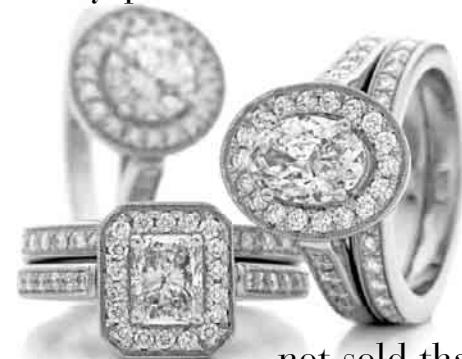
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Nation



HAILING THE RAILS: New Los Angeles Mayor Antonio Villaraigosa has asked his city's residents to do the unthinkable: ditch their cars and ride public transit. It's part of an initiative to ease the city's perennial problems with gridlock and air pollution.

Foam Issue Grounds Shuttle Fleet

Managers say falling debris didn't hit Discovery

HOUSTON, TEXAS | NASA said Wednesday it is grounding future shuttle flights because foam debris that brought down Columbia is still a risk — and might have doomed Discovery if the big chunk of broken insulation had come off just a bit earlier and slammed into the spacecraft.

A large chunk of foam flew off Discovery's external fuel tank just two minutes after liftoff Tuesday morning. Shuttle managers do not believe it hit the shuttle, posing a threat to the seven astronauts when

they return to Earth. But they plan a closer inspection of the spacecraft to be sure.

"You have to admit when you're wrong. We were wrong," said shuttle program manager Bill Parsons. "We need to do some work here, and so we're telling you right now, that the ... foam should not have come off. It came off."

The loss of a chunk of debris, a vexing problem NASA thought had been fixed, represents a tremendous setback to a space program



Shuttle program manager Bill Parsons points to a fuel tank model Wednesday.

that has spent 2 ½ years and over \$1 billion trying to make the 20-year-old shuttles safe to fly.

"We won't be able to fly again," until the hazard is removed, shuttle program manager Bill Parsons told reporters in a briefing Wednesday evening. "Obviously we have some more work to do."

Engineers believe the foam was 24 to 33 inches long, 10 to 14 inches wide, and just a few inches thick, only somewhat smaller than the chunk that smashed into Columbia's left wing during liftoff in January 2003.

Atlantis was supposed to lift off in September, but that mission is now on indefinite hold. MARCIA DUNN (AP)

'Grand Theft Auto' Makers Sued for Sexual Content

NEW YORK | A woman upset that she bought the video game "Grand Theft Auto: San Andreas" for her 14-year-old grandson without knowing it contained hidden, sexually explicit scenes sued the manufacturer Wednesday.

Florence Cohen, 85, of New York, sought unspecified damages in the lawsuit filed in U.S. District Court in Manhattan, saying Rockstar Games and its parent company, Take Two Interactive Software, engaged in false and deceptive practices. (AP)

N.Y.'s Pataki Won't Seek 4th Term

ALBANY, N.Y. | Gov. George Pataki said Wednesday he will not seek a fourth term, but declined to confirm his possible bid for the 2008 Republican presidential nomination.

When asked about a possible presidential run, Pataki, 60, said "That's for down the road. I'm not ruling



Pataki

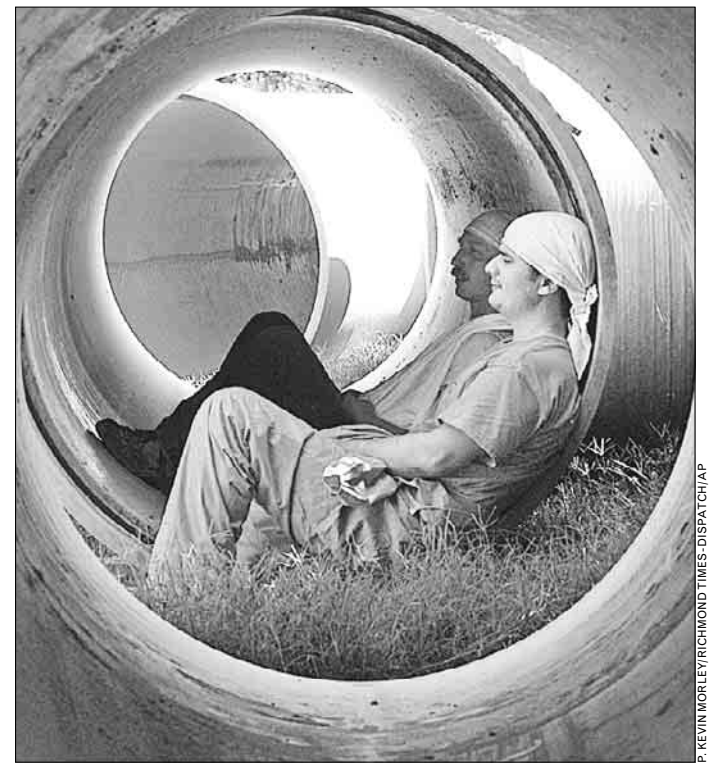
anything in or out, but my goal is to be the best governor I can be for the next year and a half."

Recent polls had shown Pat-

aki trailing Democratic Attorney General Eliot Spitzer in a possible 2006 gubernatorial matchup and the governor's approval rating had slipped to an all-time low among New York voters earlier this year.

The governor was to meet with top financial supporters, who could bankroll a presidential bid, in New York City on Wednesday night. (AP)

HEAT WAVE | PIPE DREAMS



SHADY SPOT: James Leslie, front, and co-worker Jason McGraner cool off in the shade of a Fiberglass main line pipe Wednesday while on a brief break from installing the pipes at the Country Club of Virginia in Richmond.



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Depression? Bipolar Disorder?

Today in The Washington Post

Fiscal Security: Sunnys L. Sims earned her \$1.9 million mansion the old-fashioned way — she won a government security contract. | *Page A1*

Art on Wheels: Those seeking a quality art exhibit in an unconventional space might want a ride on the Artrain. | *Style*

Fear the Collector: Debt buyers, outfits that acquire unpaid bills and try to collect, are riling customers. How to deal with their unique brand of service. | *Page A1*

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The price tag proposed by a Russian rocket manufacturer to send space tourists on a ride around the moon. The trip would include a weeklong stay aboard the international space station, officials said.

World

ON-SITE: Defense chief Donald Rumsfeld exits a meeting with Iraqi Prime Minister Ibrahim al-Jaafari during an unannounced stop in Baghdad on Wednesday.

U.S., Iraqi Leaders Shift Focus to Troop Pullout

BAGHDAD, IRAQ | Iraq's prime minister said Wednesday he wants U.S. troops "on their way out" as soon as his government can protect its new democracy. The top American general in the country said he hopes to begin significant withdrawal by next spring.

At the same time, in an unannounced visit to Baghdad, Defense Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld said Iraqi security forces should take on more tasks now performed by U.S. troops.

Iraqi Prime Minister Ibrahim

al-Jaafari, speaking at a joint news conference with Rumsfeld, said, "The great desire of the Iraqi people is to see the coalition forces on their way out."

However, comments by Gen. George Casey, the most senior commander of coalition forces in Iraq, drew the most notice. He told reporters that a "fairly substantial" withdrawal of U.S. troops could go ahead in the spring and summer of 2006 if the Iraqi political process is not derailed and the insurgency does not grow. **ROBERT BURNS (AP)**

Key Arrest in Bomb Probe

Police nab Somali believed involved in failed London attacks

BIRMINGHAM, ENGLAND | Police stormed a brown-brick duplex Wednesday and used a stun gun to arrest a Somali suspected of being one of four men behind botched attacks in London — a breakthrough that could yield the inside story on terror bombings that set the British capital on edge.

Yasin Hassan Omar, 24, was carted to a top-security police station in London, and a key official called the arrest significant — but warned that until all the bombers were in custody, the threat remained.



Yasin Hassan Omar is suspected of plotting a botched London transit blast.

Dozens of anti-terrorist police and bomb disposal experts, some in heavy body armor, swept into a neighborhood of Britain's second-largest city to arrest Omar, a Somali citizen with British residency who

is suspected in the botched July 21 attack on the Warren Street subway station.

Police also detained three other men at a house about two miles away, saying the arrests were linked to the second set of failed bombings, but declining further comment. In all, eleven suspects are being held, though only Omar is thought to be one of the bombers, police said.

After arresting Omar, police evacuated up to 100 homes and sent a bomb squad into the Small Heath neighborhood in Birmingham.

Other raids were carried out Wednesday on a property in south London's Stockwell district, and on two more London homes, where no arrests were made but forensic tests were conducted. **BETH GARDINER (AP)**

Iraq Group Says It Killed 2 Envoys

BAGHDAD, IRAQ | Iraq's most feared terror group said Wednesday it killed two kidnapped Algerian diplomats because of Algeria's ties to the United States and its crack-down on Islamic extremists.

The diplomats' deaths brought to three the number of foreign envoys reported killed this month as part

of a militant campaign to isolate Iraq's embattled government within the Arab and Muslim world. Two other apparent kidnapping attempts against diplomats were foiled.

An Internet statement posted in the name of al Qaeda in Iraq announced that Algeria's chief envoy Ali Belaroussi and fellow diplomat Azzedine Belkadi had been killed because their government represses Muslims "in violation of God's will." **(AP)**

HEARSAY | CHOICES

"The world knows that the future of Afghanistan depends on these elections."

—JAWED LUDIN

AFGHAN PRESIDENT HAMID KARZAI'S CHIEF OF STAFF, COMMENTING WEDNESDAY THAT THE COUNTRY IS IN "GOOD SHAPE" FOR LEGISLATIVE ELECTIONS ON SEPT. 18 DESPITE CONTINUING VIOLENCE AND PROTESTS.



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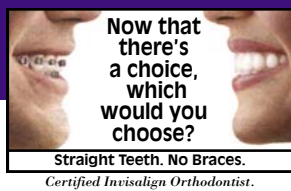
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LADIES' MAN: Forget pricey presents. British scientists have developed a mathematical formula that concludes wining and dining is the best way for men to woo women, Reuters reported.

Zimbabwe Defies U.N. on Evictions

HARARE, ZIMBABWE | Riot police turned an urban township into a ghost town Wednesday, rounding up the last residents in defiance of a U.N. call to halt a demolition campaign that has left 700,000 without homes or jobs.

After emptying the Porta Farm township — where some 30,000 people lived just days ago — earth-movers were seen lumbering into the area to finish clearing debris from destroyed homes, cabins and shacks as part of what the government calls Operation Drive Out Trash. Police armed with batons and riot shields barred aid workers and residents from entering.

The latest demolitions came as President Robert Mugabe paid a state visit to China, which is building a track record of willingness to do business with African leaders others shun.

Mugabe is confident China will use its veto power in the U.N. Security Council to protect Zimbabwe from any U.N. censure following the U.N. report denouncing the campaign as a violation of international law, a state-owned Harare newspaper, the Herald, reported Wednesday.

China has not joined Western critiques of Zimbabwe's human rights record. **MICHAEL HARTNACK (AP)**

In Brief



U.S. envoy Christopher Hill heads to the second day of nuclear talks in Beijing.

BEIJING

Report: North Korea Wants U.S. to Normalize Relations

North Korea took a tough stand Wednesday during talks with the United States, reportedly insisting Washington normalize relations and remove all atomic threats before it would give up nuclear weapons. For its part, the United States stood by an aid-for-disarmament offer the North rejects as unfair. South Korea's envoy characterized it as a "useful talk, where it became clear what [the sides] had in common and what [the] differences were." **(AP)**

LAHORE, PAKISTAN

Fugitive Who Lured Daniel Pearl to Kidnappers Seized

The fugitive who set up the initial meeting between Wall Street Journal reporter Daniel Pearl and his kidnappers was arrested Wednesday in a bus terminal, officials said. Pearl was abducted Jan. 23, 2002, and later beheaded in Karachi — believed to be a hot-bed for Islamic militants — while he was researching a story. **(AP)**

INDIA | DEADLY DOWNPOUR



STORMY FIGHT: People use a rope to cross a street after heavy rains in Bombay, India, Wednesday. The strongest monsoon rains ever recorded in India soaked the city, snarling roads and killing some 200 people nationwide.

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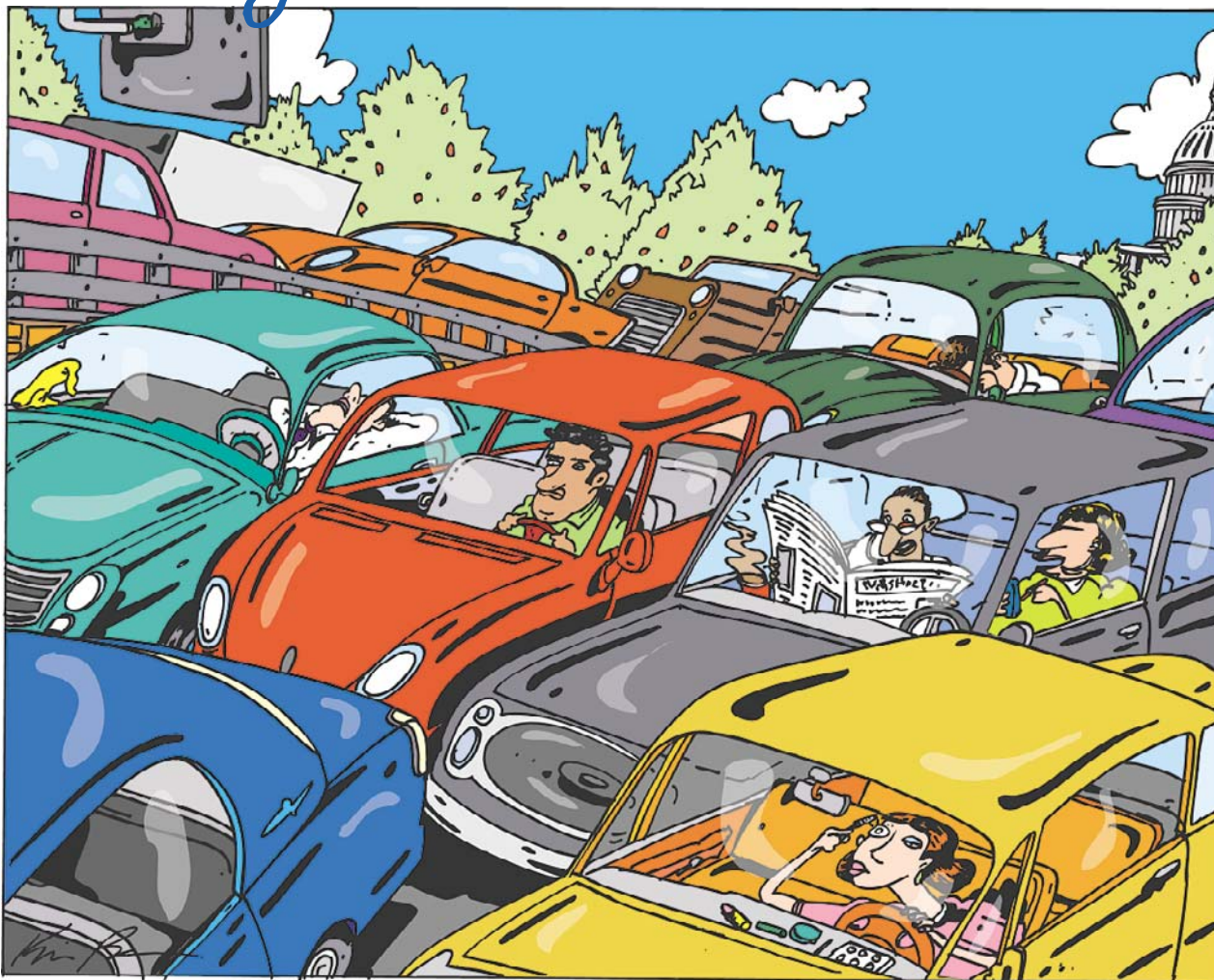
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The number of weeks a Thurmont, Md., man was sentenced to jail for letting his chained pit bull freeze to death. Gerald Travis, 41, pleaded guilty in April to animal cruelty charges. Travis said inclement weather prevented him from caring for his dog.

Local

D.C. Unveils Plan To Keep Doctors

Mayor: Skyrocketing malpractice insurance rates harm patients

WASHINGTON | Warning that the nation's capital has some of the highest medical malpractice insurance rates in the land, Mayor Anthony A. Williams helped launch a new effort Wednesday to stop doctors from moving out.

Williams joined representatives of the Medical Society of the District of Columbia and an insurance industry group in unveiling a month-long "Keep Your Doctor in D.C." campaign. The medical society warned 28 percent of the city's doctors would consider relocating, while 31 percent would consider closing their practices because of insurance issues.

The ads are part of a five-year campaign by the industry group America's Health Insurance Plans, aimed at reforming the medical liability system.

The first two ads will appear on mass transit and in local publications. Their messages suggest that premiums and related costs could drive doctors out of the District.

SILENT TONY

Mayor Anthony Williams is still mum about a re-election bid:



Williams

With three fellow Democrats already in next year's mayoral race, Williams said on Wednesday

he'll make a final decision on running "in another month or so."

"If I've got to take 15 different bus connections to get to health care in Bethesda, that seriously harms our city," Williams said.

The mayor has introduced legislation that would ensure patients receive the bulk of monetary damages in lawsuits; require hospitals to report medical errors; and require an independent physician review of claims before lawsuits can proceed.

The legislation would also protect volunteer health care providers from lawsuits stemming from uncompensated work at clinics.

DERRILL HOLLY (AP)



NAME'S THE SAME: Mrs. Virginia, Virginia Thornton of Forest, Va., was crowned Mrs. International 2005 at the national pageant in Chicago this past weekend. Never heard of the Mrs. International competition? In order to compete, you must be married and between ages 21 and 56.

The Lotteries

Wednesday, July 27

DISTRICT	
Mid-day Lucky Numbers	4-5-4
Evening Lucky Numbers	2-8-2
Mid-day DC 4	1-1-7-5
Evening DC 4	0-4-5-5
Quick Cash	13-05-38-24-14-33
Hot Five	31-2-4-22-10

MARYLAND	
Mid-day Pick 3	9-2-5
Evening Pick 3	0-2-6
Mid-day Pick 4	7-8-7-0
Evening Pick 4	1-4-9-6

Match 5 **06-10-23-30-34 Bonus: 39**

VIRGINIA	
Mid-day Pick 3 (Wed.)	1-5-8
Evening Pick 3 (Tues.)	2-2-4
Mid-day Pick 4 (Wed.)	4-2-9-1
Evening Pick 4 (Tues.)	2-6-5-0
Mid-day Cash 5 (Wed.)	02-10-15-25-34
Evening Cash 5 (Tues.)	04-05-25-30-33

MULTI-STATE GAMES	
Mega Millions (Tues.)	01-10-18-29-55
Mega Ball	08

All winning numbers are official only when validated at a lottery ticket location or a lottery claims office. Drawings that occur after Express's deadline will be published two days later.

CHINCOTEAGUE, VA. | SEE HORSES



YOUNG BYUN/AP

A SUMMER RITE OF PASSAGE: In a dense Wednesday morning fog, between 150 and 200 wild ponies make the annual swim from Assateague Island in Maryland to Chincoteague, Va. Many of the horses will be auctioned on Thursday.

Va. Mom Leaves Child Wandering on Beltway

FALLS CHURCH, VA. | A mother was under arrest on child endangerment and other charges Wednesday after authorities said she abandoned her 4-year-old son on the Capital Beltway, then hit him with the car as he tried to get back in.



Green

Virginia State Police said they determined that Channoah Alece Green, 22, of Newport News, abandoned the toddler after she became upset with him. "As she attempted to drive off, the child was trying to get back in the vehicle and was knocked down," said Sgt. J.L. Doss of the state police. That led to a hit and

run charge.

The boy, who had minor scratches, was picked up by state police after they received a call shortly after 10 p.m. Tuesday from a concerned motorist who said she had found a child wandering on the Beltway near Lee Highway.

State police said they found Green, and were able to figure out that she was the child's mother, after she was involved in a two-car accident near Richmond at 11:25 p.m. Tuesday.

She was injured and taken to Memorial Regional Medical Center in Hanover County.

Green was charged with reckless driving in connection with the crash, which is still under investigation. (AP)

HEARSAY | HEAT

"The phones just went bananas. People really appreciated the cooling effect."

—JIM TICE
PROGRAM MANAGER FOR RICHMOND, VA.'S WKHK RADIO, A COUNTRY MUSIC STATION THAT PLAYED CHRISTMAS MUSIC DURING THE INTENSE HEAT ON WEDNESDAY

Second Admitted Killer in Hairston Case Sentenced

WASHINGTON | The second woman who admitted killing a former school board member was more culpable for the crime even though she didn't pull the trigger, a D.C. Superior Court judge said during sentencing Wednesday.

Dannielle Wayne, 22, masterminded the armed robbery in May 2004 that led to the shooting death of Terry Hairston. She knew Hairston and recruited Arkeeta Hendrick to help steal his money.

"In the court's view it's worse when someone who knows you sets you up, and that's what happened," the judge told Wayne before sentencing her to more than 17 years in prison. BRETT ZONGKER (AP)

Wife, Mother of Senators Dies at 105

CUMBERLAND, MD. | Margaret S. Beall, a member of one of Maryland's most prominent Republican families whose husband and son both served in the U.S. Senate, died in her sleep Monday at an assisted living home in Cumberland.

Beall, who once accompanied

Queen Elizabeth II to a University of Maryland football game, was 105.

Beall's husband, J. Glenn Beall, lost his Senate seat to Democrat Joseph Tydings in 1964. But the couple's son, J. Glenn Beall Jr., defeated Tydings six years later to reclaim the seat for the Republicans. (AP)

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Money

Stocks Surge on Fed News

Report on business
climate, strong home
sales buoy investors

NEW YORK | Wall Street had a surge of optimism Wednesday, sending stocks higher after investors interpreted a Federal Reserve report on the economy as a sign that the Fed's year-long string of interest rate hikes may be nearing an end.

Wall Street was mired in a narrow trading range until midafter-

noon, when the Fed released its Beige Book, a survey of the business climate around the country. The central bank said the job market showed some improvement and that inflation was fairly contained.

The day's other economic data were also strong: New home sales set a record in June and factory orders for big-ticket manufactured products rose at a strong clip. Analysts said investors were hearing the good economic news

that they've been hoping for.

"The economic slowdown that was supposed to be happening at this time of year isn't happening," said Jack Caffrey, equities strategist at J.P. Morgan Private Bank.

Meanwhile, corporate earnings remained upbeat, with more companies surpassing expectations than missing them. The latest positive surprises came from Boeing Co. and Amazon.com Inc., whose stocks shot up after they reported strong earnings. ELLEN SIMON (AP)

PROMOTIONS | RIGHT ON TARGET



FALLING INTO PLACE: Members of an acrobatic troupe rappel down the side of an office building in New York City's Rockefeller Center on Wednesday as part of a fashion show to promote Target department stores' fall clothing line.

Market Action

New York Stock Exchange

Gainers

STOCK	LAST	DAILY CHANGE	DAILY PERCENT CHANGE
Simpson's	37.78	+5.88	+18.4
Headwaters	41.85	+4.35	+11.6
Salton	2.34	+0.22	+10.4
Aldi Waste	8.60	+0.80	+10.3
Fdm Coal n	31.60	+2.95	+10.3

Losers

Wellmn	8.89	-1.61	-15.3
QtmDSS	2.66	-.47	-15.0
DeltaAir	2.99	-.40	-11.8
Tuppwr	21.49	-2.76	-11.4
YankCdl	29.11	-3.27	-10.1

NASDAQ Stock Market

Gainers

STOCK	LAST	DAILY CHANGE	DAILY PERCENT CHANGE
Replgn	3.30	+.97	+41.6
Margo s	7.82	+2.01	+34.6
IntSurg	64.82	+13.52	+26.4
DXP Ent	14.70	+3.03	+26.0
NymoxPh	2.30	+.47	+25.7

Losers

InfoSpce	24.21	-10.58	-30.4
GigaTr	5.60	-2.33	-29.4
TalkAmer	8.90	-2.67	-23.1
Catuity rs	12.59	-2.73	-17.8
Quotesmth	4.31	-.88	-17.0

Rates

	CURRENT	PREVIOUS WEEK
Prime Rate	6.25	6.25
Fed Funds close	3.25	3.1875
3-month	3.32	3.23
2-year	3.99	3.88
10-year	4.26	4.18
30-year	4.47	4.39

Currency (Dollars in foreign currency)

	TODAY	PREVIOUS DAY	YEAR AGO
British Pound	.5738	.5745	.5490
Canadian Dollar	1.2336	1.2300	1.3330
European Euro	.8297	.8316	.8302
Japanese Yen	112.20	112.35	110.99
Mexican Peso	10.6480	10.6940	11.4880
Taiwanese Dollar	31.90	31.82	34.12

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+57.32	+10.23	+5.63
+0.54	+0.47	+0.46
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Bank Stocks

STOCK	LAST	DAILY CHANGE	YEAR TO DATE PERCENT CHANGE
AustNZ	81.33	+.28	+.5
BcoSnCH	12.18	+.13	-1.5
BkofAm s	44.15	-.38	-6.0
BkNova g	34.24	-.08	+1.2
Citigrp	44.39	-.21	-7.9
DeutscheBk	87.13	+1.54	-2.1
JPMorgCh	35.35	-.02	-9.4
MitsuTokyo	8.23	+.13	-19.5
RoyalBk g	64.16	-.29	+20.1
TorDBk g	46.27	-.02	+11.0
UBS AG	81.15	+.45	-3.2
US Bancrp	30.30	-.03	-3.3
Wachovia	50.69	+.29	-3.6
WA Mutl	42.73	-.19	+1.1
WellsFrgo	61.80	-.20	-.6

LONG TIME COMING: More than 37 hours after starting the game, Carroll Kuemper topped East Marshall 3-2 to reach the semifinals of the Iowa state baseball tournament. The game was stopped Monday by rain, and again on Tuesday.



Sports

In Brief

REDSKINS

4th-Round Choice White Signs, No Word on Top Picks

Fourth-round draft pick Manuel White agreed to a four-year, \$1.81 million contract Wednesday with the Washington Redskins. White will receive a \$420,000 signing bonus. The UCLA running back is expected to be used as a versatile H-back in Redskins coach Joe Gibbs' offense.

The Redskins have yet to sign first-round draft picks Carlos Rogers and Jason Campbell. Players report for training camp Sunday. (AP)

NBA

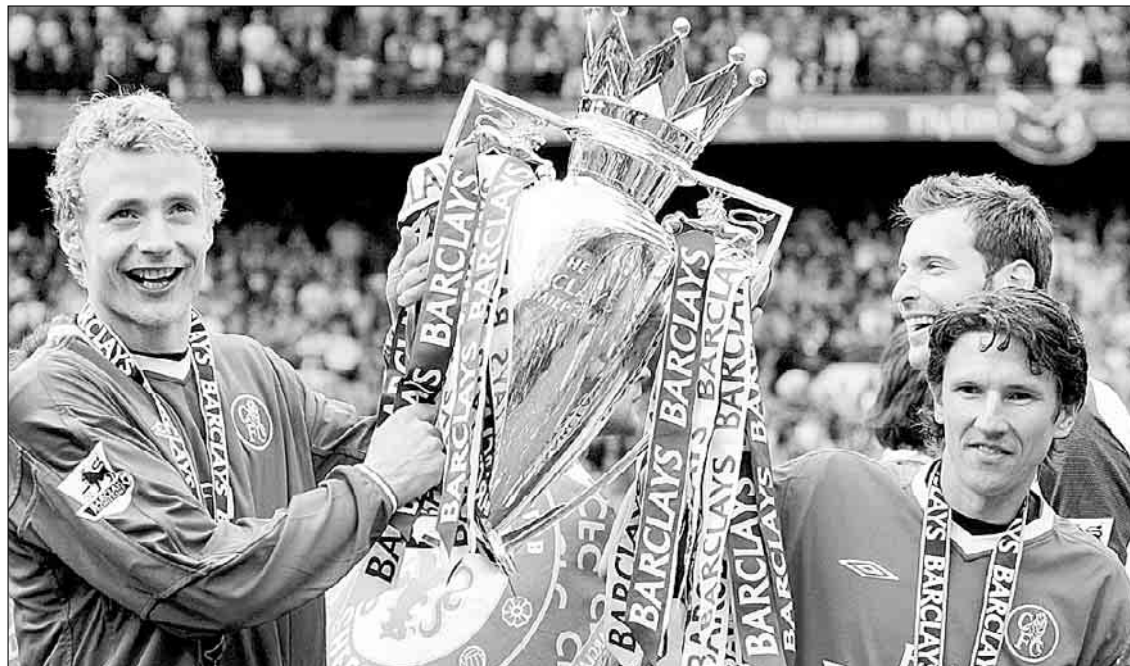
Brown Soap Opera Ends With Job Coaching Knicks

The Knicks' deal with Larry Brown is done. Brown's agent worked out the final details of contract language with team executives Wednesday, clearing the way for the Knicks to introduce Brown as the 22nd head coach in franchise history.



Brown

The team called a news conference for Thursday at Madison Square Garden. Less than 10 days after his divorce from the Detroit Pistons, Brown moved onto a new job where he'll be trading down in talent but up in salary and sentiment. (AP)



CUP OF KINGS: Chelsea won the Premier League in May, setting a battle of champions against MLS winner D.C. United tonight.

Big Time Game for United

D.C. sees Chelsea exhibition as great challenge

UNITED | For a few hours tonight, area soccer fans will be able to dream big.

D.C. United has been dominant through MLS's first decade, but the league and club barely register on the sport's global landscape. It is a landscape dominated more than ever by wealthy and prestigious professional clubs able to acquire a disproportionate number of international stars with the promise of outrageous salaries and worldwide popularity and exposure.

Tonight at FedEx Field, United and one of those elite teams, Chelsea Football Club, will share the same turf in a battle of the MLS champs against the English champions.

It's an exhibition, but it will give spectators and United's players a 90-minute taste of the big time.

"This is going to be a big task," said United midfielder Ben Olsen. "It's a great chance to play against competition at the highest level. These guys are the best players in the world and they're not there

by luck."

Chelsea likely will showcase its depth, but the Blues have every reason to give its regulars significant playing time with its domestic season kicking off Aug. 7.

United has previously hosted high-profile clubs like Boca Juniors, Tottenham and Bayer Leverkusen and has compiled a decent won-loss record. But never has there been a guest with this kind of talent or headline appeal.

"I'm ready," Olsen said. "I think the guys are ready to put on some kind of show." BRIAN STRAUS

NHL Is Not Wasting Any Time

All 30 teams to play on opening night; Caps to host Jackets

HOCKEY | The NHL will return to the ice with the busiest night in the league's 88-year history.

Not wanting fans to have to wait one extra day to see their teams, the NHL has scheduled 15 games — including all 30 clubs — on opening night Oct. 5. The record for games in a day was 14, done nine times but not since 2003.

The schedule, released Wednesday, features more divisional games as teams will play their biggest rivals eight times instead of six. There are 10 such matchups on opening night alone, including Pittsburgh at New Jersey, in what should be the debut of Sidney Crosby, expected to be drafted first overall Saturday by Pittsburgh.

The Capitals, led by rookie Alexander Ovechkin, will host the Columbus Blue Jackets to keep off the new season.

The NHL will take a hiatus from Feb. 13-27 so players can represent their countries at the Olympics in Turin, Italy. The regular season will conclude on April 18 and the Stanley Cup playoffs will begin three nights later. IRA PODELL (AP)

Mystics Prepare For a Playoff Push

MYSTICS | Despite Tuesday's loss, the Washington Mystics (11-11) find themselves still in position to make a run at the playoffs. Four of the Mystics next five games will be at home, including tonight's matchup with the San Antonio Silver Stars at MCI Center.

"We have got to win these games at home," said coach Richie Adubato, whose team is 5-6 at home this season.

San Antonio won the last meeting between the two teams, 71-62, at SBC Center on June 6th but the



Alana Beard described Thursday's game against San Antonio as "huge."

Mystics are well aware of the significance of tonight's contest.

"It's huge," said Alana Beard, who scored a team-high 16 points against San Antonio in June. "We're trying to push for the playoff run and we really need that game." BRANDY L. SIMMS

Phelps Easily Qualifies in 2 Events

Md. native continues to improve after slow start at championships

SWIMMING | Michael Phelps did the double Wednesday morning, easily qualifying in both the 100-meter freestyle and 200 individual medley at the World Swimming Championships.

One night after his first individual victory of the meet, Phelps was back in the water managing that fine line between conserving energy and making sure he didn't



Phelps conserved energy while still advancing to two finals on Wednesday.

take things too easy.

Phelps managed a time of 49.04 seconds in the 100 free, making him

the third-fastest qualifier behind Italy's Filippo Magnini (48.97) and South Africa's Ryk Neethling (49.04). Phelps returned about an hour later for the 200 IM, again managing the third-best time in one of his strongest events. His time of 2 minutes, 0.30 seconds was far off his world record standard but easily good enough to send him on to the semifinals.

"Things are going much better than they did the first day," Phelps said. "I seem to be improving throughout the meet, so I can't complain right now." (AP)

Sports

3,001

The number of strikeouts Chicago Cubs pitcher Greg Maddux has in his career after Tuesday's start against the San Francisco Giants. He is only the ninth major league pitcher in history with both 300 victories and 3,000 strike outs.

Judge Tosses Comcast Suit vs. O's

Ruling could mean more Nats games are on TV

TELEVISION | A lawsuit over television rights to baseball games brought by the cable company Comcast Corp. against the Baltimore Orioles was thrown out by a judge Wednesday, potentially clearing a major obstacle that has kept many Washington Nationals games off the air.

Comcast has refused to carry Nationals games on its system, which

serves about 1.65 million subscribers in the Washington region, while the case was litigated in Montgomery County Circuit Court. The lawsuit, filed in April, tried to block the Orioles from moving their games off SportsNet to the team-owned Mid-Atlantic Sports Network.

MASN was to carry Nationals games next season and eventually

gain rights to the Orioles games now owned by SportsNet. But Comcast claimed it had not been given the right to match the offer from MASN, as required in their contract with the Orioles.

But Circuit Judge Durke G. Thompson ruled the matching-offer clause had not been triggered by the MASN deal.

After the ruling, attorneys for the Orioles and MASN urged Comcast

to start carrying Nationals games. "Comcast's old excuse for not carrying the Nationals games has been swept aside," said Orioles attorney Arnold Weiner.

Comcast Executive Vice President David Cohen said in a statement the company has yet to decide whether to appeal. The statement did not indicate whether Comcast would yield on airing Nationals games.

STEPHEN MANNING (AP)

Selig Keeps Rogers on The Bench

BASEBALL | Kenny Rogers' appeal of his 20-game suspension for shoving two cameramen was rejected Wednesday by commissioner Bud Selig, who deemed the behavior of the Texas Rangers' pitcher to be "wholly unacceptable."

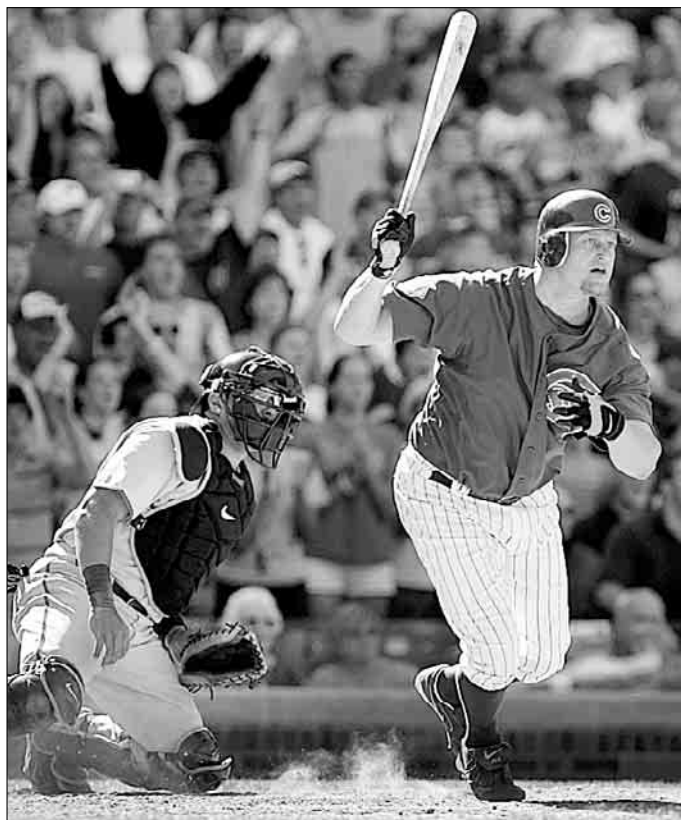
The players' association said it will pursue a grievance before an arbitrator to overturn the penalty.

The commissioner, who heard Rogers' appeal in Milwaukee last Friday, said the suspension would begin with Wednesday night's game at the Baltimore Orioles. Rogers declined comment.

"We'll see what the next few days bring," Rangers manager Buck Showalter said. "We knew this was going to happen at some point." (AP)

Later: Both the Nationals and Orioles games ended after Express' deadline. Results | Today's Post, Sports

BASEBALL | SINGLES DAY AT WRIGLEY



WALK-OFF HIT: Chicago's Jeromy Burnitz, right, watches along with San Francisco Giants catcher Yorvit Torrealba as his game-winning single lands in the outfield during the ninth inning of the Cubs' 4-3 win on Wednesday.

Boston's Clement Out of the Hospital

BASEBALL | Boston pitcher Matt Clement was released from a hospital Wednesday, less than 24 hours after being hit in the side of the head by a line drive that knocked him off his feet.

"The results of a second CT scan taken this morning were also negative, and Matt was released from the hospital this afternoon," Red Sox



Matt Clement was nailed with a line drive in Tuesday's game in Tampa Bay.

medical director Dr. Thomas Gill said in a statement released before the Red Sox 4-1 win over the Tampa Bay Devil Rays Wednesday.

Clement was carted from the field after Carl Crawford's liner struck him in the right side of the head, just behind the ear, in the third inning Tuesday night. The pitcher never lost consciousness and did not sustain a concussion, manager Terry Francona said. (AP)

TODAY'S TV LINEUP

BASEBALL (1 P.M. ON MASN AND TBS) Ryan Drese pitches for the Nationals against Jorge Sosa and the Atlanta Braves in the finale of a three-game series.

BASEBALL (7 P.M. ON COMCAST) Sidney Ponson may be making his last start as an Oriole when Baltimore hosts the Texas Rangers.

SOCCER (8 P.M. ON ESPN2) D.C. United and Chelsea play in a battle of MLS and England Premiership champions.

GOLF (4 P.M. ON USA) Vijay Singh is the defending champ of the Buick Open.

WOMEN'S GOLF (10 A.M. ON TNT) Is the British Open where Michelle Wie gets her first win on tour?

MLB

AMERICAN LEAGUE

EAST	W	L	PCT.	GB	HOME	ROAD
Boston	55	45	.550	—	27-18	28-27
N.Y. Yankees	53	45	.541	1	30-19	23-26
Baltimore	51	48	.515	3.5	28-21	23-27
Toronto	50	49	.505	4.5	27-20	23-29
Tampa Bay	36	65	.356	19.5	24-27	12-38

CENTRAL	W	L	PCT.	GB	HOME	ROAD
Chicago	65	34	.657	—	33-19	32-15
Minnesota	53	46	.535	12	29-22	24-24
Cleveland	52	49	.515	15	25-26	27-23
Detroit	50	50	.500	15.5	24-26	26-24
Kansas City	37	63	.370	28.5	22-29	15-34

WEST	W	L	PCT.	GB	HOME	ROAD
L.A. Angels	59	41	.590	—	30-22	29-19
Oakland	54	46	.540	5	31-18	23-28
Texas	49	50	.495	9.5	28-24	21-26
Seattle	43	56	.434	15.5	23-25	20-31

NATIONAL LEAGUE

EAST	W	L	PCT.	GB	HOME	ROAD
Atlanta	56	44	.560	—	30-14	26-30
Washington	55	45	.550	1	32-18	23-27
Philadelphia	52	49	.515	4.5	33-22	19-27
N.Y. Mets	51	49	.510	5	32-21	19-28
Florida	49	48	.505	5.5	25-23	24-25

CENTRAL	W	L	PCT.	GB	HOME	ROAD
St. Louis	63	36	.636	—	33-20	30-16
Houston	53	47	.530	10.5	32-14	21-33
Chicago	51	49	.510	12.5	25-23	26-26
Milwaukee	50	51	.495	14	28-17	22-34
Pittsburgh	44	56	.440	19.5	24-27	20-29
Cincinnati	42	58	.420	21.5	31-25	11-33

WEST	W	L	PCT.	GB	HOME	ROAD
San Diego	50	50	.500	—	29-19	21-31
Arizona	48	54	.471	3	25-28	23-26
L.A. Dodgers	46	54	.460	4	25-23	21-31
San Fran.	43	56	.434	6.5	22-30	21-26
Colorado	36	63	.364	13.5	26-23	10-40

Standings through July 26 games

Redskins Agree to Ship Gardner to the Panthers

REDSKINS | The Washington Redskins on Wednesday agreed to trade wide receiver Rod Gardner to the Carolina Panthers for a future draft pick, ESPN.com reported.

The former first-round pick was rumored to be on his way out of town since the end of last season, but Washington waited for a team to take the bait on a trade. Otherwise, the team would have been forced to cut Gardner and receive nothing in return for his departure.

This way, the Redskins recoup his \$2.097 million salary which can be used to sign first-round picks Carlos Rogers and Jason Campbell, according to the ESPN.com report.

The trade means both of last



Rod Gardner was known for his drops more than catches in Washington.

year's receivers will have moved on. Laveranues Coles was traded to the New York Jets earlier in the offseason.

The Redskins' new receiving corps will be led by Santana Moss and David Patten. (EXPRESS)

EVERYBODY WINS: A couple of records were set when Lance Armstrong won his seventh Tour de France on Sunday — the Outdoor Life Network, OLN, scored its highest-rated telecast ever by airing the last day of race coverage. Ooh, la la.

Television

ON TV TONIGHT

WE SMELL A POWER BALLAD

The folks on "Hooking Up" might take notes from **40 AWESOMELY BAD BREAKUP SONGS** (7 p.m., VH1).

'ALL OUT OF LOVE'

HOOKEUP (9 p.m., ABC) Tales from the new frontiers of Internet dating. The show is produced by ABC News.

SHE SURE CAN PICK 'EM

CSI (9 p.m., CBS) Catherine's fling may be a killer.

IT'S ABOUT TIME

EXTREME MAKEOVER (8 p.m., ABC) Jenny McCarthy quest stars.

MODERN LIFE

Scheduled on **PRIMETIME** (10 p.m., ABC): A woman who fled a polygamous cult confronts her past; a transsexual golfer on the LPGA circuit.



“... then in 1994 I sold it to Microsoft and went back for my other physics degree ...”

CULT CHOICE

THEY LIVE BY NIGHT (10 p.m., TCM) Two doomed lovers live outside the law in director Nicholas Ray's 1949 debut. The film was remade by Robert Altman in 1974 as "Thieves Like Us." KEVIN MCDONOUGH (UNITED FEATURE SYNDICATE)

Lawyers in Limbo

David Kelly throws in the scripted-show towel with 'Law Firm'

DEBUT | There was a time when David E. Kelley was an unstoppable one-man television machine. But the appetite for Kelley's quirky characters, topical dramedy and arch dialogue of shows like "Picket Fences," "Chicago Hope," "L.A. Law," "Ally McBeal" and "The Practice" has not been the same since the advent of reality TV.

In a prime-time case of if-you-can't-beat-'em-join-'em, Kelley has produced "The Law Firm" (9 p.m.,



YOU'RE, UH, BOOKED: Roy Black doesn't have the Donald's star power.

NBC), a legal reality show so clearly modeled on "The Apprentice" that it's lucky none of its cases involve plagiarism. "Firm" challenges 12 hotshot attorneys to measure up to the expectations of host and trial lawyer Roy Black.

The dozen aspiring Clarence Darrows are men and women who are broken up into competing teams. The women are attractive and, for the most part, the men come off as preening egos dipped in hair gel. If the contestants are interchangeable, it's a good thing some of the plaintiffs and defendants come out of left field.

But the legal system offers built-in twists and turns that often rescue "Law Firm" from less-than-scintillating characters. KEVIN MCDONOUGH
(UNITED FEATURE SYNDICATE)

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WRC	News		NBC Nightly News	Access Hollywood	Joey	Will & Grace	The Law Firm (Series Premiere) (N)	(9:59) ER "Fear"		News		Tonight Show
WTTG	Seinfeld	The Simpsons	The Simpsons	Seinfeld	That '70s Show	That '70s Show	The O.C. "The Showdown"	News		A Current Affair		Friends
WJLA	News	ABC Aft News	Wheel of Fortune	Jeopardy!	Extreme Makeover		Hooking Up (N) (Part 3 of 5)	Primetime		News		(35) Nightline
WUSA	News	CBS News	9News Tonight	Ent. Tonight	Big Brother 6 Head of household.		CSI: Crime Scene Investigation	Without a Trace "Nickel and Dimed"		News		Late Show
WDCA	That '70s Show	That '70s Show	Friends	Every-Raymond	WWE SmackDown! (N)		King of the Hill	Dharma & Greg		Girlfriends		Girlfriends
WMPT	The NewsHour With Jim Lehrer (N)	Business Rpt.	Business Conn.	MotorWeek (N)	This Old House	Live From Lincoln Center "A Concert at Mozart's House"	On Stage at the White House			Beautiful Bermuda		
WETA	BBC World News	Business Rpt.	The NewsHour With Jim Lehrer (N)	Live From Lincoln Center "A Concert at Mozart's House"	*** "Whale Rider" (2002, Drama) Keisha Castle-Hughes, Rawiri Paratene.					Charlie Rose (N)		Charlie Rose (N)
WHUT	Tony Brown	Tavis Smiley	BBC World News	Money Wise	On Africa	Wet Sand: Voices From LA	BBC World News	Tavis Smiley		Charlie Rose (N)		Charlie Rose (N)
WBDC	The Parkers	Steve Harvey	The Parkers	Steve Harvey	Smallville "Onyx"	Everwood "Best Laid Plans"	Will & Grace	Just Shoot Me		Will & Grace		Blind Date (N)
A&E	City Confidential		American Justice		Cold Case Files Murder of a young hitchhiker.		The First 48			Crossing Jordan "You Really Got Me"		
Animal	The Crocodile Hunter Diaries		The Most Extreme "Predators"		The Planet's Funniest Animals		The Planet's Funniest Animals	Animal Cops San Francisco		The Planet's Funniest Animals		
BET	106 & Park: BET's Top 10 Live		BET Style		The Parkers	College Hill	College Hill	Blowin' Up		25 Hottest Movies		BET Nightly News 106 & Park
Bravo	The West Wing "The Red Mass"		The West Wing "Debate Camp"		Queer Eye for the Straight Guy	Bobby Brown	Bobby Brown	Bobby Brown		Bobby Brown		Bobby Brown
Comedy	Mad TV		Com.-Presents Reno 911!		Daily Show	Com.-Presents	Com.-Presents	South Park		Chappelle's Show Reno 911!		Daily Show
Court	NY PD Blue "Simone Says"		Cops		Cops		Cops	Forensic Files		Body of Evidence		Uniform Justice "Burning Secret" (N)
Discovery	Monster Garage "Hot Dog Car"		American Chopper "Comanche 2"		Stealth Night: Strike Force (N)		Nighthawk -- Secrets of the Stealth	Stealth Secrets		Stealth Night: Strike Force		Stealth Night: Strike Force
DISCH	Paramedics "Seven Minutes"		Trauma: Life in the ER		Critical Hour "Trooper Medevac"		Critical Hour "The Long Weekend"	Critical Hour "Fall Fractures"		Critical Hour "Trooper Medevac"		Critical Hour "Trooper Medevac"
Disney	Lizzie McGuire	Sister, Sister	That's So Raven	That's So Raven	"Life Is Ruff" (2005) Kyle Massey. A teenage slacker adopts a stray dog.		American Drgn	Sister, Sister		That's So Raven		That's So Raven
E!	Bachelor: Hollywood Story		E! News (N)	Love Is in the Heir	THS Investigates: The Real Life CSI	Kill Reality	Fight for Fame "Horror"			Howard Stern		Howard Stern
FX	Fear Factor		King of the Hill	King of the Hill	*** "Holy Man" (1998, Comedy) Eddie Murphy, Jeff Goldblum. Premiere.		Fear Factor (N)			*** "Holy Man" (1998, Comedy)		*** "Holy Man" (1998, Comedy)
HCTV	Wknd Warriors	Landscapers	Curb Appeal	House Hunters	Mission: Orgnz reDesign	Divine Design (N)	Designers'	House Hunters (N)		House Hunters		Design on a Dime
Family	7th Heaven "Sunday"		Smallville "Calling"		*** "Batman Returns" (1992, Adventure) Michael Keaton, Michelle Pfeiffer, Danny DeVito.		Whose Line?			The 700 Club		The 700 Club
History	Modern Marvels "High Voltage"		Modern Marvels "Gasoline"		Modern Marvels "Icebreakers"		Modern Marvels "Sub Zero Tech"	Modern Marvels "Desert Tech"		History Now		History Now
Lifetime	The Golden Girls	The Golden Girls	"Eye of the Stalker: A Moment of Truth"		Movie (1995) Joanna Cassidy		"Broken Silence" (1998, Drama) Ariana Richards, Susan Blakely. (DVS)			The Golden Girls		The Golden Girls
MTV	VMA Nominee Videos		Direct Effect		Punk'd		Punk'd	Pimp My Ride		Wild & Out		MTV Cribs
NICK	Amanda	Drake & Josh	Fairly Oddparents	Jimmy Neutron	SpongeBob	Zoey 101	Full House	Full House		Fresh Prince		Fresh Prince
SCI FI	Stargate SG-1 "Brief Candle"		*** "Death Becomes Her" (1992) Meryl Streep, Bruce Willis.		*** "Army of Darkness" (1992) Bruce Campbell, Embeth Davidtz.		MXC	MXC		MXC		MXC
SPIKE	World's Wildest Police Videos		CSI: Crime Scene Investigation		Friends		Friends	*** "Austin Powers: The Spy Who Shagged Me" (1999) Mike Myers.		World's Wildest Police Videos		World's Wildest Police Videos
TBS	Seinfeld	Seinfeld	Every-Raymond	Every-Raymond	Sports Disasters "Out of Control"		Jump Britain	Overhaulin'		Mostly True Stories: Urban Legends		Mostly True Stories: Urban Legends
TLC	Clean Sweep		In a Fix "The Water Feature"		Law & Order "Bad Girl"		*** "The Fugitive" (1993, Drama) Harrison Ford, Tommy Lee Jones, Sela Ward.	*** "The Fugitive" (1993, Drama) Harrison Ford.		*** "The Fugitive" (1993, Drama) Harrison Ford.		*** "The Fugitive" (1993, Drama) Harrison Ford.
TNT	Charmed "That '70s Episode"		The 4400 "Carrier"		Law & Order: Special Victims Unit		* "Half Past Dead" (2002, Action) Steven Seagal, Morris Chestnut, Ja Rule.			* Knock Off		* Knock Off
USA	The Dead Zone "The Last Goodbye"		The 40 Hottest Rock Star Girlfriends...		and Wives Beautiful partners.		Kept		Hogan Knows		Kept	
VHI	Celebrity Weddings Unveiled											Video-Got Busy
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ESPN	SportsCenter (Live)		Eating Contest		2005 U.S. Open of Competitive Eating		City Slam	Baseball Tonight (Live)		SportsCenter (Live)		SportsCenter (Live)
ESPN2	Billiards: 2005 BCA Open 9-Ball		Streetball		Streetball		Soccer Chelsea at D.C. United. (Live)	2005 U.S. Open of Competitive Eating		2005 Hot Dog Eating Contest		2005 Hot Dog Eating Contest
CSN	The Sports List	SportsNite	MLB Baseball Texas Rangers at Baltimore Orioles. From Oriole Park at Camden Yards in Baltimore. (Live)					SportsNite (Live)		Orioles All Access		Best-Sports
CNN	Lou Dobbs Tonight		Anderson Cooper 360		Paula Zahn Now		Larry King Live	NewsNight With Aaron Brown		Lou Dobbs Tonight		Lou Dobbs Tonight
FNC	Special Report (Live)		The Fox Report With Shepard Smith		The O'Reilly Factor (Live)		Hannity & Colmes (Live)	On the Record-Van Susteren		The O'Reilly Factor		The O'Reilly Factor
MSNBC	The Abrams Report		Hardball		Countdown With Keith Olbermann		The Situation With Tucker Carlson	Scarborough Country		Hardball		Hardball
AMC	(4:30) *** "The Great Escape" (1963, Adventure) Steve McQueen. 'NR'				*** "The High and the Mighty" (1954) John Wayne. A co-pilot tries to get a crippled plane across the Pacific. 'NR'			*** "Island in the Sky" (1953) 'NR'				
TCM	Earthworm Trct	(4:5) ** "Polo Joe" (1936, Comedy) Joe E. Brown. 'NR'			*** "The Long, Long Trailer" (1954, Comedy) Lucille Ball. 'NR'			*** "They Live by Night" (1949, Drama) Farley Granger. 'NR'				
HBO	Empire Records	Real Sports	Mantle Profile of Mickey Mantle.		** "The Day After Tomorrow" (2004) Dennis Quaid.	** "PG-13"		The Island: 1st		Cathouse: Ser.		The Comeback
MAX	(5:00) Fortress	** "Best of the Best II" (1983) Eric Roberts. 'R'			(1:5) *** "Garden State" (2004, Comedy-Drama) Zach Braff.	** "R"		** "I, Robot" (2004, Science Fiction) Will Smith.	** "PG-13"			
SHOW	Agent Cody	** "Good Boy!" (2003) Molly Shannon. 'PG'			* "Boat Trip" (2003) Cuba Gooding Jr. iTV.	** "R"		(3:5) ** "The Punisher" (2004, Action) Thomas Jane. iTV.	** "R"			Sex-Videotape
TMC	(1:5) ** "Out of Time" (2003) Denzel Washington.	** "PG-13"			** "Going All the Way" (1997) Jeremy Davies.	** "R"		(4:5) *** "Exotica" (1994, Drama) Bruce Greenwood.	** "R"			** Gunmen (1994)
STARZ!	"Free Willy 2: The Adventure Home"	(1:10) *** "Two Brothers" (2004, Adventure) Guy Pearce.	** "PG"		** "My Baby's Daddy" (2004) Eddie Griffin.	** "PG-13"		** "Willard" (2003) Crispin Glover.	** "PG-13"			
ENCORE	*** "Peter Pan" (2003, Fantasy) Jason Isaacs.	** "PG"			*** "First Blood" (1982) Sylvester Stallone.	** "R"		(3:5) *** "21 Grams" (2003, Drama) Sean Penn, Naomi Watts.	** "R"			(4:5) Crimson Tide



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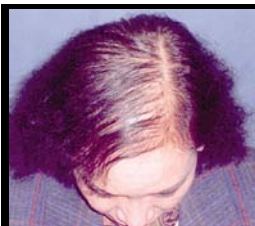
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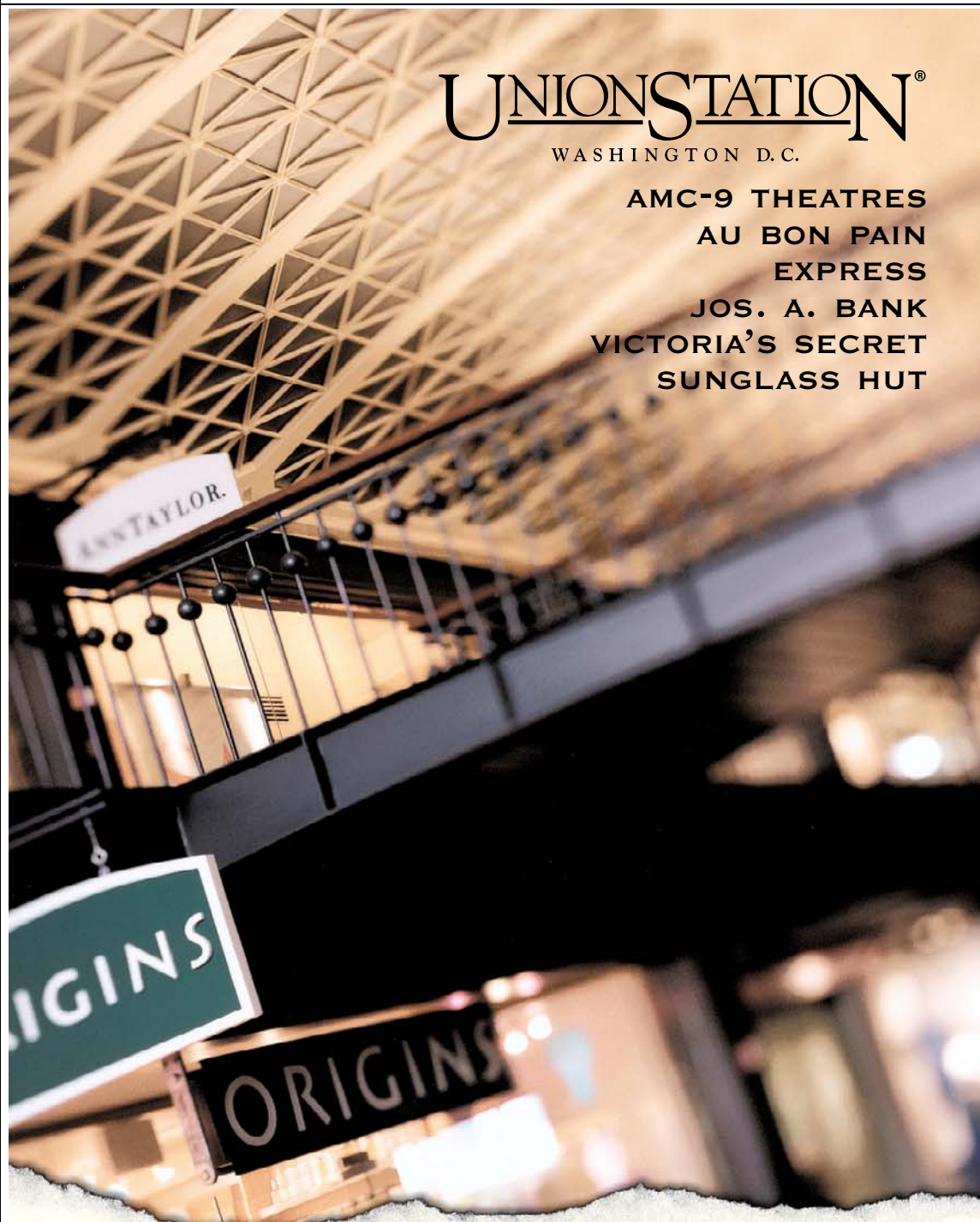


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Education

For some students, a break from class means tending crops

Plenty of college kids still subsist on a steady diet of ramen noodles, cold cereal and beer to wash it all down.

Not Nate France. The crop and soil sciences major at Oregon State University wouldn't dream of following the well-beaten path to the local Carl Jr.'s for cheap, mammoth burgers.

Instead, every Thursday afternoon until the sun sets, France helps till and tend to a pocket-sized, student-run organic farm on a couple of soil-rich acres just outside Corvallis, Ore.

"I sowed some corn while it was raining, and then I tamped down the soil too much — it caked up, hard as a brick, and the corn plants couldn't come up," said France, 27, who dreams out loud about farming his own land someday. "This next time, I know to mix manure in. This is like a trial by fire, a way to make mistakes before it matters too much."

In the last decade or so, student-

run farms have cropped up across the country, at almost 60 schools in 27 states.

Foodies call it the latest sign of the seasonal, regional food movement's influence, even on a collegiate landscape that's virtually paved with Hot Pockets, Pop Tarts and leftover pizza.

Over the past few years, about 200 schools have signed up with farm-to-college programs, which match up local farmers with area



GARDEN DEGREE: Every day after class, Nate French heads to the hills above Corvallis, Ore., to check up on his winter squash.

College Cultivation

iment extended to locally grown tomatoes and peaches, milk from Rhode Island dairies and, eventually, a farmers' market that set up shop outside the dining hall.

"I was carrying a flat of local peaches into the dining hall once,

from half an acre to 200, turn students themselves into growers.

Some student farmers, like those at Dartmouth College in New Hampshire, sell the fruits of their labor at on-campus farm-stands, while the bounty from the University of Idaho at Moscow gets parceled out each week to community members who have prepaid for baskets of whatever's fresh.

Some student farms supply their dining halls with fresh produce, while others sell directly to restaurants.

"It's nice during school to be able to go out and get my hands dirty," said Kevin McAlpin, 22, an Oregon State junior majoring in natural resources who was on his hands and knees weeding a lettuce bed. "It's stress relief."

JULIA SILVERMAN (AP)

universities, according to the Venice, Calif.-based Community Food Security Coalition. The University of Montana in Missoula, for example, allocates about \$425,000 to local meat, dairy and wheat products, about 17 percent of the school's

overall food budget.

At Brown University, in Providence, R.I., dining hall purchasers started swapping Granny Smiths and Red Delicious for locally grown Macouns and Pippins. Apple consumption tripled, and the exper-

iment extended to locally grown tomatoes and peaches, milk from Rhode Island dairies and, eventually, a farmers' market that set up shop outside the dining hall.

But student farms, which range



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Neighborhoods

Newfangled parking meters draw protest in the French Quarter

Stuart Smith can put up with bars and shops selling sex toys in the 19th-century buildings neighboring his carefully restored townhouse in New Orleans' French Quarter.

But he and other residents of the city's historic neighborhoods cannot abide the "garish" new parking meters — tall green monoliths located in the middle of each block — that have replaced the traditional meters marking individual spaces.

"We don't think we should have these devices installed in a historic district without any input from the residents," said Smith, who is part of a group that filed a lawsuit



UGLY TO SOME: Chris Sharkey points out one of the new meters in the Vieux Carre.

against the city.

The original lawsuit was filed in May, claiming the new meters were installed without notice to

the public or proper review by city officials.

Last week, the lawsuit was amended to say that the new

meters violate a current law that allows tickets to be issued when time has expired and a yellow or red flag is visible on the meter. The new system does not display a flag when time has expired.

"All tickets issued on these new meters are illegal," Smith said. "Criminal law is very exact."

The lawsuit asks for an injunction that would remove the meters as well as refund all fines collected for parking violations under the system.

Mayor Ray Nagin had no comment, a spokeswoman said last week.

The new parking system replaces individual meters with a pay station, about 6 feet tall and 18 inches wide, similar to a new system installed in Washington, D.C.'s historic Georgetown neighborhood. There are from one to three to a block.

Planned for more than 10 years by three successive mayoral admin-

istrations, the meters, which cost about \$7,500 each, are designed to accept credit cards, debit cards and coins. They will not take bills, which are said to jam them.

A parker must walk to the pay station, select a method of payment, take a printed parking slip and put it in the car on the passenger side dash board.

"Our main concern is they are incompatible with a historic district," said David Speights, a member of the board of the Vieux Carre Property Owners, Residents and Associates. "They are ultramodern and they don't fit in with the surroundings."

The Vieux Carre group has written city councilwoman Jacquelyn Brechtel Clarkson asking that the new system be removed from the French Quarter, Speights said.

"Some people have called them ugly," Speights said. "I've called them ugly myself. They are. Ugly and inappropriate." MARY FOSTER (AP)

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Roberto's Revival

 The Playboy Bunny gets a makeover from Cavalli

ITALIAN DESIGNER ROBERTO CAVALLI has the credentials to be fashion's bad boy. But he's not.

With his unbuttoned shirts, full head of salt-and-pepper hair and a smokestack dangling from his lips, he certainly looks the part. His symbol is the dangerous serpent; his parties, which attract the likes of Bono, Lenny Kravitz and Cindy Crawford, are legendary ("I can't ever get anyone to leave," he laments with a laugh)—and he's even launching his own branded vodka this fall.

Cavalli's runways are among the sexiest in the world. Beyonce and Alicia Keys are among the fans of his elaborate, ornamented dresses with plunging necklines and crocodile trim. When Playboy Enterprises decided earlier this year to update its bunny costume for the first time in 25 years, it turned to Cavalli to do it. And he makes a habit of bucking whatever trends are out there: "I like to create something new. Sometimes I like to be opposite of what 'fashion' is doing," he said.

Cavalli may be the fashion world's biggest rebel, yet he's also one of the industry's true artists, laboring over designs and the execution of those designs as a craftsman. He also seems to be head-over-heels in love with his wife and creative partner of more than two decades, Eva Durringer, letting her finish his sentences when he feels her mastery of English will help convey his thoughts to an American reporter.

But when it comes to clothes, Cavalli is hardly at a loss for words. He

describes his new fall collection as a curio cabinet filled with unique vintage treasures. "I want someone to want to collect each piece, and I've tried to make each piece as a special piece. ... There is no theme other than there are lots of different special touches. I wanted to see a collection of one-of-a-kinds," he said.

Standout styles include a black V-neck, long-sleeve gown that's completely covered in colored jewels except for its sheer back; fitted, tailored skirt suits—a rarity from Cavalli; and a stunning strapless Chinoiserie gown based on a print from the Ming Dynasty. He



THE SHINING:

Cavalli's signature looks usually shimmer, but Beyonce went for a more classical look for the 2005 Oscars, left.



RABBIT, RENEW: Cavalli and the classic outfit.



also does his signature animal print on shiny lame.

Cavalli's strengths have always been prints, embellishment and use of color, which, he said, made for some lean times in the 1990s when minimalism was the rage. "My fashion started to be out of fashion," he said.

He soldiered away, though, turning out his own look instead of doing what was popular, and eventually retail buyers, editors, celebrities and consumers came around to see his flashier style as fresh.

Cavalli also was one of the first designers to use stretch fabrics, which allow for a slimmer fit. He didn't purposely get into stretch to be ahead of the curve—he usually doesn't think that far in advance, he said—but he'll do anything to help women feel and look sexy. "Art and women are my favorite things," he said.

However, his one rule is no minuscule miniskirts. "Sometimes it's sexier when you don't show so much."

He has a dress code for himself, too. "I'm always in black. I like color on other people. I love to give them my happiness—I'm positive enough," he said.

SAMANTHA CRITCHELL (AP)

Home



Baby, It's You

A work of art that starts life as saliva in a test tube can truly be called a conversation piece. Using your spit, **DNA II** produces a mod canvas depicting your very own genes (\$800 to \$1,800 at dna11.com). It's not as high-tech as it sounds: The basic image results from a simple process that sorts strands of DNA into clumps. Throw in some dye and you get stripes, which DNA 11 prettifies and offers in seven color schemes. No useable info is revealed; each piece is a "unique, artistic representation of your genetic fingerprint," not a recipe for your descendants to make Grandpa. And though the operation frankly sounds like a front for a clone farm, genes haven't been this attractive since "Gattaca." HOLLY J. MORRIS (EXPRESS)

Food



Lettuce Eat

We all grocery shop with the best of intentions. And those pre-made bags of salad look so tempting—so fresh and healthy and convenient. But then you order in, or go out, or have graham crackers and icing for dinner. Before you know it, the salad has evolved into a malignant force, turning your mustard against you and rallying the cheese drawer for a surprise attack. The **SALAD SAC** is a simple terry-cloth bag that keeps the salad slime away (\$10 at bakerscatalogue.com). Washed greens go into the bag; the bag goes into the fridge. Our test salad stayed fresh for nine days and held up better than when stored in its original bag. KRISTEN PAGE-KIRBY (EXPRESS)

LOOK out

Voices

American Idol

On the Road

"Top Ten" performers **ANTHONY FEDOROV** and **VONZELL SOLOMON** were online yesterday to discuss the American Idols Live Tour | washingtonpost.com/liveonline

Which do you like more — performing on the show or being on the road in concert?

FEDOROV: Being on the road in concert. Because getting up in front of 15,000 people and having the ability to communicate with them at the same time is priceless, pretty much, and I don't have three judges sitting there judging me.

SOLOMON: Being on the road, definitely, because there are no judges and because the crowd is bigger and we get to meet the fans and sign autographs and take pictures, so that's good, too.

Do you feel you've made the big time?

SOLOMON: No, I don't. I know there's quite a long way to go yet, but I feel like this is a great start.

FEDOROV: I feel like I just made step one. There is no such thing as "big time" until you wake up 20 years later and look back at your life and say that you've lived everything that you ever dreamed of up to that point.

My daughter seems to think Simon and Paula have a thing going on. Can you comment on this?

SOLOMON: No, I don't know anything about that. We don't interact with the judges outside the show. The only days we saw the judges were

on the actual show days.

FEDOROV: I don't think they have anything going on.

I think that most of the A.I. finalists this year were great singers. However, the format of the show is just so cheesy. All of those badly choreographed group songs just have to go. Is the tour going to be as cheesy as the show was? Or, will we get to hear more individual performances. Any original songs? Or will old classics continue to get redone?

FEDOROV: I never looked at the show as "cheesy" in the first place and the tour definitely involves a lot of solo performances.

SOLOMON: The tour is actually like 10 solo performances. We all get out there and sing our solo songs. We do a couple of group numbers and I just think it's a great show.

When everyone's off camera, who's the funniest? Who's the most laid back?

SOLOMON: The funniest is probably Scott. He's always been the funniest. He's just hilarious. The most laid back is Nikko.

→ Today on Live Online

NOON: Don Williams, senior conservator at the Smithsonian Institution, discusses his new book "Saving Stuff," and how to care for and preserve heirlooms and collectibles.

Letters

Always Blaming Government

WHEN ARE SO-CALLED leaders going to stop blaming government for the ills of society and start calling for personal accountability? A woman in D.C. is under investigation for murdering her son and Marion Barry states that "the mother didn't just get the way she is ... some government agency failed or somebody failed to give her the help she needed" ("Child Laid

to Rest as Mother Is Still Under Evaluation," July 27).

Excuse me? Unless there were prior instances of abuse that social services failed to pursue, the government is in no way to blame here. No hardship excuses the brutal taking of that innocent little life.

—MOIRA BOGLEY
New Market, Md.

Correction:

We reported an incorrect phone number for The District Line in yesterday's feature "London Calling." The correct number is 202-558-5508. The store's new hours for Tue.-Sat. are 12-8 p.m.

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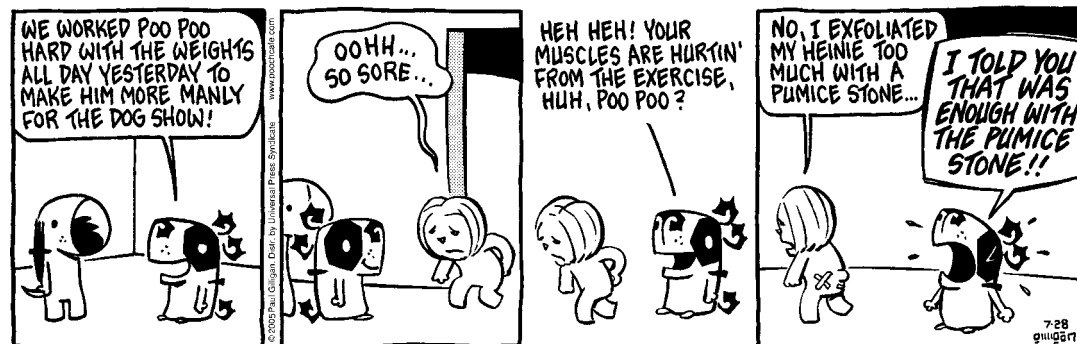


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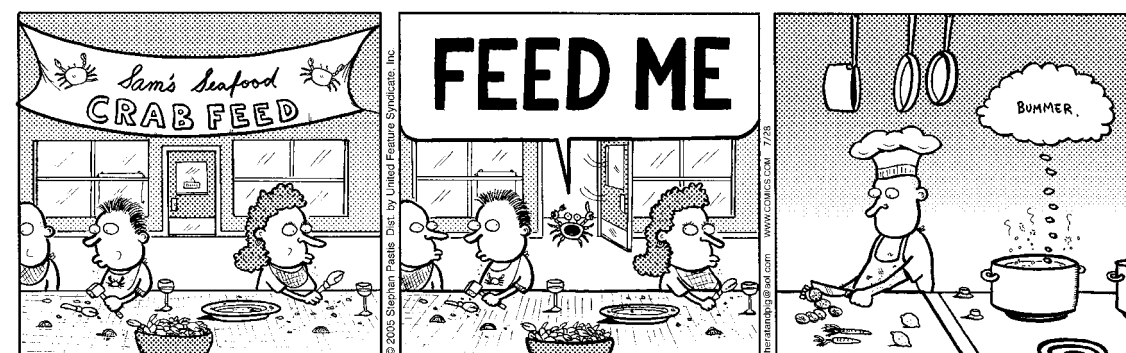


"I'm afraid there's not much I can do for you now. You should've come in sooner, before you got sick."

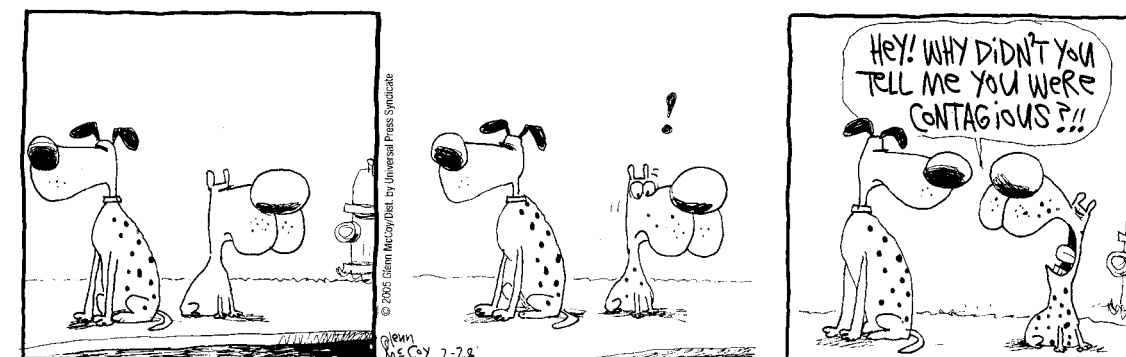
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DECEIVER.BLOGSPOT.COM COMMENTS ON THE FINALISTS FOR THE HILL NEWSPAPER'S “50 MOST BEAUTIFUL PEOPLE ON CAPITOL HILL” SELECTIONS.



BANAL BASEBALL

“In a town known for scandals and high profile busts, the Nationals can't seem to get arrested in this town. Chad Cordero in Georgetown? Nope. Castilla at Tysons? Nope. Esteban at ESPN Zone? Umm ... right ... It seems that our boys of summer might be playing scandalously poor, but not Watergately.”

CARPETBLOGGER.COM ON THE WASHINGTON NATIONALS

TERMS OF ENDEARMENT

“From this day forward, I will refer to Rove as TB (no longer just a deadly disease).”

MUCHSTUFF.BLOGSPOT.COM ON “TURD BLOSSOM,” PRESIDENT BUSH'S NICKNAME FOR EMBATTLED AIDE KARL ROVE

Horoscope

By Stella Wilder

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Be careful that you don't get signals crossed. It may be easy for others to misinterpret your intentions; be clear and concise.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) It will be more than beneficial for you to insist that those around you be prompt. Be in the right place at the right time during the evening.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) Try not to be too stubborn with a loved one. Remember that he or she is sharing those opinions for a reason; listening is in order.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) This is a good day to get something off your chest with someone close to you. Your conscience may be getting the better of you.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) The time has come to get to work on that letter you've been meaning to write for ages. You have something important to share.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) You can

be romantic and spontaneous when you want to be, and someone else is waiting for you to loosen up in this regard.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) You've been holding a great deal inside lately. It's important that you find a few new outlets and begin releasing pressure slowly.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) Make sure you don't use up all your energies on outside interests. Save a little something for home and family.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Don't react too quickly to unexpected situations that may arise at any time. You may come off as being unreasonably temperamental.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Practical common sense is essential for you. Don't let things get too cloudy or complicated; get back to basics.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Perseverance and commitment are more important to you than usual. It is important, too, that you know when to move on.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) You have a caring, gentle and sympathetic nature — and someone close to you requires just those qualities from you.

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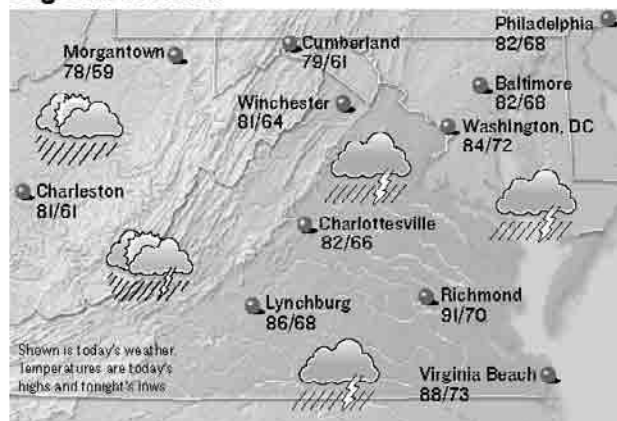


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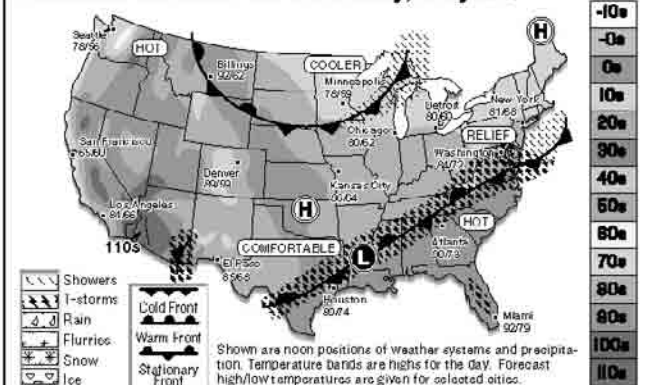
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Sunrise today	6:06 a.m.
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Moonrise today	12:06 a.m.
Moonset today	2:23 p.m.



National Weather for Thursday, July 28



National Cities

City	Today	Fri.
Atlanta	90/73/t	87/72/t
Boston	73/62/sh	80/64/pc
Chicago	80/62/s	82/64/s
Dallas	90/72/pc	95/74/s
Denver	88/59/s	94/62/s
Honolulu	88/76/pc	88/76/pc
Los Angeles	84/66/pc	86/66/pc
Miami	92/79/t	90/79/t
New York City	81/68/pc	78/67/sh
Orlando	94/74/t	91/74/t
Seattle	78/56/s	74/56/pc

World Cities

City	Today	Fri.
Amsterdam	70/61/sh	68/59/r
Athens	91/75/s	91/75/pc
Berlin	88/68/pc	91/68/pc
Buenos Aires	64/54/c	70/57/c
Calgary	78/53/pc	75/49/pc
Dublin	63/55/r	63/52/r
Geneva	90/64/pc	79/58/t
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FOREIGN LAWS

Another Day, Another Successful British Libel Suit

A lawyer for **KATE MOSS** said Wednesday the supermodel had accepted substantial libel damages from a newspaper that alleged she had collapsed into a cocaine-induced coma. An article published in Britain's Sunday Mirror in January alleged that during a visit to Barcelona, Spain, in June 2001, Moss took large amounts of cocaine and lost consciousness. Moss, 31, was not present at the High Court in London for the settlement hearing. (AP)



Martin and Underwood also won "World's Most Earnest Singing Faces."

HONORS

Residual Gwyneth Sexiness Still Working for Martin

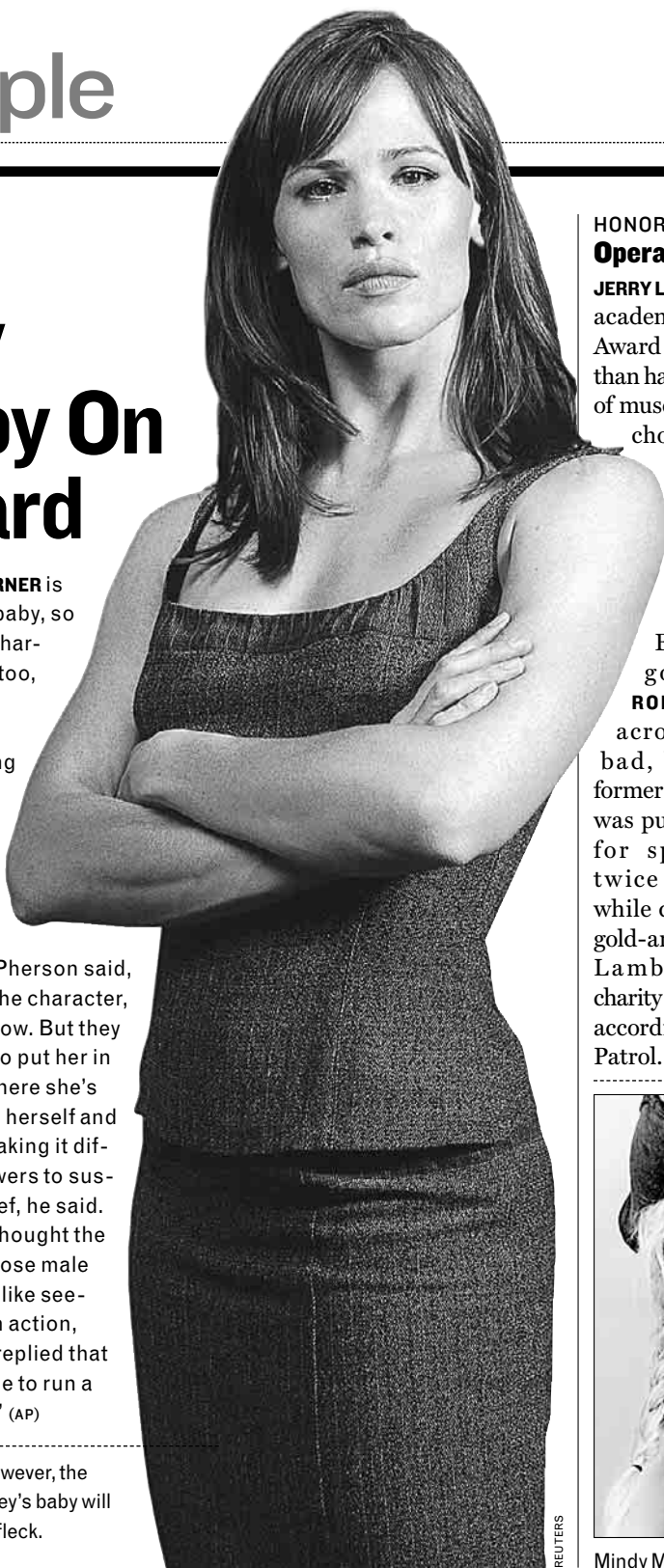
"American Idol" winner **CARRIE UNDERWOOD** was voted the "World's Sexiest Vegetarian" in PETA's annual online poll. She shares the honor with Coldplay frontman **CHRIS MARTIN**. Underwood and Martin beat out other famous vegetarians, including David Duchovny, Reese Witherspoon, Avril Lavigne, Joaquin Phoenix and Prince. (AP)

BENNIFER II

Spy Baby On Board

JENNIFER GARNER is expecting a baby, so her "Alias" character will be too, even though she's a spy. "We are going to embrace the fact that she's pregnant," ABC program-ming chief Stephen McPherson said, referring to the character, Sydney Bristow. But they "don't want to put her in situations where she's endangering herself and the baby," making it difficult for viewers to suspend disbelief, he said. Asked if he thought the show might lose male viewers who like seeing Garner in action, McPherson replied that "she'll be able to run a fair amount." (AP)

On "Alias," however, the father of Sydney's baby will not be Ben Affleck.



HONORS

Operators Are Standing By

JERRY LEWIS is getting the television academy's prestigious Governors Award in recognition for his more than half-century of work on behalf of muscular dystrophy. Lewis was chosen for the award by the Academy of Television Arts & Sciences' Board



of Governors in recognition of his work for the Muscular Dystrophy Telethon. The award will be presented to Lewis, 79, during the 2005 Primetime Creative Arts Emmy Awards on Sept. 10. (AP)

BAD BOYS Even His Hijinks Are Now C-List

Even when he's doing good, **DENNIS RODMAN** comes across as bad, bad, bad. The former NBA star was pulled over for speeding twice Tuesday while driving his gold-and-black Lamborghini in a charity rally race in Denver, according to the Colorado State Patrol. In between, Rodman was



involved in a minor crash and later accused of stealing a hat in what he says was a "misunderstanding" at a gas station. "It's been that kind of day for me," Rodman said by phone late Tuesday. He said the cowboy hat in question was given to him at a gas station; the police said it wasn't a gift, and he should have paid for it. (AP)

What's he going to do next? Steal all the Ho-Hos from a snack machine?



Mindy McCready before the badness.

AILING

McCready May Have Been Attempting Suicide

MINDY MCCREADY apparently attempted suicide, and a man charged last spring with trying to kill her was with the country singer when police found her unconscious in a Florida hotel lobby, Nashville, Tenn., authorities said Tuesday. William McKnight, who said he is McCready's fiancé, told authorities that she had taken a large amount of two substances and drank a lot of alcohol. Police refused to identify the substances. (AP)

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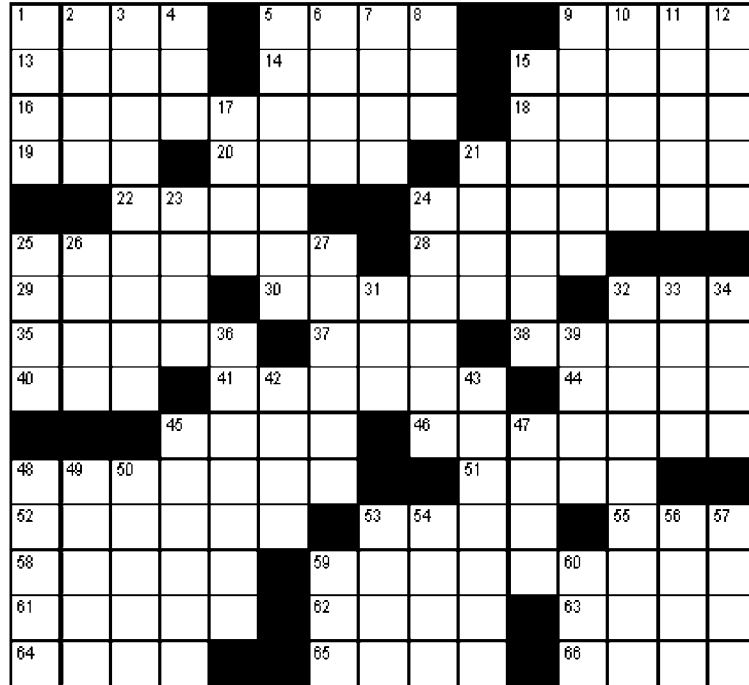
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5 Kurosawa film, usually
9 Woven fabric
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14 Retina receptor
15 Serve broth
16 Short-cropped hairstyle
18 Victims of the Iroquois
19 Certain "Badge" color
20 Lean (on)
21 Wavy hairstyle
22 Mr. Roberts
24 Where a famous stone was discovered
25 Shoulder-length hairstyle
28 Level
29 Twist an arm
30 Hammer operator, e.g.
32 Ballet step
35 Amaryllys relatives
37 Event from 1914 to 1918, briefly
38 It can be hot or cold
40 Little shaver
41 Boundary
44 Sassy about
45 Trunk of a tree
46 Type of crewcut haircut
48 Thought much of
51 Something (extraordinary thing)
52 Picked locks?

53 Network signal
55 Greek letter
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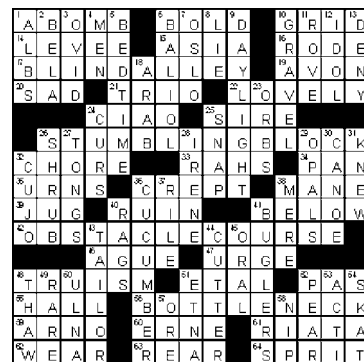
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7 Like cuttlefish defenses
8 Bee chaser
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10 Decree
11 Admiral's charge
12 Unit of flux
15 Some new car drivers
17 Word with apple or grass
21 Pawn to King's bishop 4, e.g.
23 Stink to high heaven
24 Load off the mind



25 Skeet shooter's shout
26 Region
27 Displayed boredom
31 "Sands of ____ Jima"
32 Whitsunday
33 Singing voice
34 Hog filler
36 They pass the plate?
39 They're built on card tables
42 Away from the wind
43 Word with light or heavy

Yesterday's Solution



Today in History

1655 The not particularly large-nosed French author Cyrano de Bergerac, the inspiration for a play by Edmond Rostand, died in Paris.

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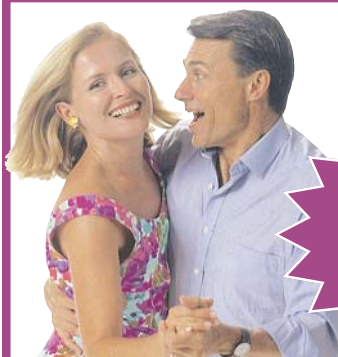
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NAME: Luke Brindley

GIG: Singer-songwriter, leader of local rockers the Brindley Brothers

NEW JERSEY TRANSPLANTS Luke Brindley and his brother Daniel form the core of a quintet that has garnered national attention since the 2004 release of "Playing With the Light," a shimmering, melodic, modern-pop record. Over the last couple of years, the Brindley Brothers have branched out from their home base of Vienna coffee-house Jammin' Java to win a strong D.C.-area following. They headline at Iota on Friday.

How long have you and Daniel been playing together?

About seven years. It started off casual, just me and him doing acoustic duo stuff, doing each other's songs. Really, the band thing happened about two years ago.

You had done a solo singer-songwriter album before, right?

Yeah, I did two under my name. They were definitely meditative, acoustic-based records, really influenced by guys like Nick Drake, Bob Dylan, Neil Young and Bruce Cockburn.

Do you still run Jammin' Java?

I don't. I stepped out of the day-to-day operations in February of this year. Daniel's still there, and our other brother, Jonathan.

Is this show the only full-band show of the current mini-tour?

Yeah. [Outside D.C.] it's mostly solo. Occasionally it'll be a duo thing — me and Daniel or me and a bass player — but logistically and economically it makes more sense right now to go out and do solo stuff.

You're giving out an EP to the first



SHOP AROUND: Brindley Brothers core members Luke, left, and Daniel are in the market for a label, but have plenty of fans.

"We throw [acoustic stuff] into our sets, but we don't really have any recordings of it."

50 fans at Iota.

It's a little acoustic thing, three songs or something, recorded at home. A lot of people tell us that they really like the acoustic stuff.

We throw that into our sets, but we don't really have any recordings of it.

Do you have a new album in the works?

At the end of August or early September we're going to go into the studio for probably a week straight and just bang out the record, mostly live.

Is it going to be out on Paste?

Paste Records shut down. The whole company, magazine and everything, got bought out by a big venture-

capital company, and they already had a label in place. So we're gonna make the record, then we're gonna shop it.

Does this mean "Playing With the Light" is going out of print?

They still had a bunch of copies in the warehouse. I ended up having to buy them. I still have copies left. Hopefully they won't last long and I can get 'em out of my basement.

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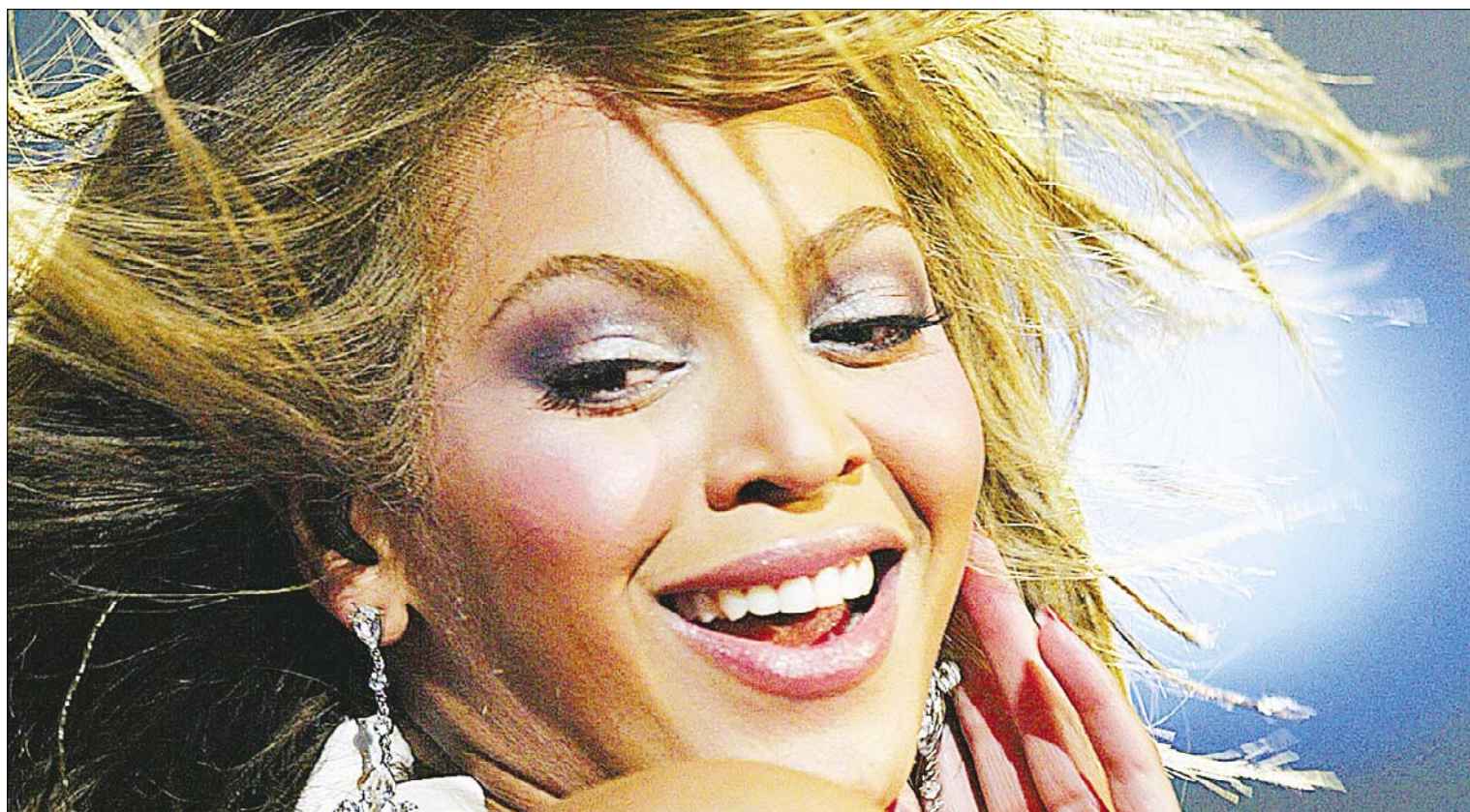
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EYE OF THE STORM: Destiny's Child is a trio, but it's Beyoncé's shaking hips and swinging hair that became the group's trademarks — and possibly led to its breakup.

Tempting Fate

The incendiary weapon of three divas on the verge

MUSIC | Breaking up is hard to do. Unless you've sold 40 million records. All those dead presidents do ease the pain. But the ego — that's another story.

When Destiny's Child calls it quits after five albums and this final tour — coming to Washington on Sunday — all eyes will turn to Beyoncé Knowles. At age 23 she's an undisputed superstar, with solo hits ("Crazy in Love") to

complement her successes with bandmates Kelly Rowland and Michelle Williams. She looks good on the big screen (though who wouldn't, next to Austin Powers' scary orthodonture?).

Plus she dates newly-crowned head of Def Jam records, Jay-Z. Stir in a horn-driven hook, a dance beat, and her fire-and-ice sex appeal and voila! It would take a Mariah-like meltdown to interrupt her career trajectory.

The contrast to Beyoncé's fire and ice is Michelle Williams' sugar and spice. Williams spent years touring with church choirs and as a backup singer. Her solo debut, "Heart to Yours,"

traded the coquettish pop innuendo of Destiny's Child for a straight gospel message. Hers is the new face of The Gap. She even showed the courage to duet with gospel legend Shirley Caesar on "Steal Away to Jesus." And if once again she's outshone by a stronger singer, at least she can take comfort in the promise that the last shall be first.

Then, splitting the difference, comes Kelly Rowland. The other original member of Destiny's Child can deliver the vocal goods, no doubt. But she's more smitten with good-time bad-boy Nelly.

Their collaboration, "Dilemma," owned the radio in late 2002, blazing the trail for Beyoncé's solo debut a year later. Rowland also dipped her toe into the thespian life with a role in a 2004 indie "The Seat Filler." Rowland might be the reason the new album wasn't called "Beyoncé's Destiny Fulfilled."

Breakup ballads are a staple of modern R&B, but they make up the bulk of "Destiny Fulfilled." Add in the ominous title and one suspects the group's split was agreed upon well before the engineer pressed "record."

Which is a bit like parents preserving the marriage for the sake of the kids. In time, fans may accept the split as a rational necessity.

But emotionally, the group will always be greater than the sum of its parts. Or so we like to think. It won't be clear until the three divas have to smile, dance and interact onstage.

Then we'll know if they still love each other. The kids can always tell. **BOB MASSEY**

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Niki Barr: 'Lush' Life

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Rapper and actor Ludacris makes living the dream look easy

MUSIC | Life, liberty and the pursuit of a Lincoln with a sunroof. The American Dream has come a long way, for better or worse. That according to Ludacris, on his classic hip-hop chronicle "Diamond In the Back."

It's the most affecting moment on "Chicken-N-Beer," the 2003 bunker buster dropped by the Dirty South's favorite son. Otherwise, it's basically a good-time paean to get-

tin' some. Gettin' some weed, some women, some drumsticks — and some potshots at haters, especially Fox News blowhard Bill O'Reilly. But who else could induce mass spit-takes with the lines, "Watch out for the medallion, my diamonds are reckless/Feels like a midget hangin' from my necklace." Lighten up, Bill. Have a cold Pepsi.

As if to rub it in, Ludacris enlisted Verne Troyer, in full "Austin Powers" Mini-Me mode for the video of "Number One Spot." It's

DO AND FRO: Ludacris has it all, from film career to feud with a talk-show host.



PHIL MUCCI

the single off Ludacris' most recent joint, "Red Light District." Full of boasting, clowning and detonating of Mr. O'Reilly, it's impossible not to laugh along. Or to shout along at Dream this Friday.

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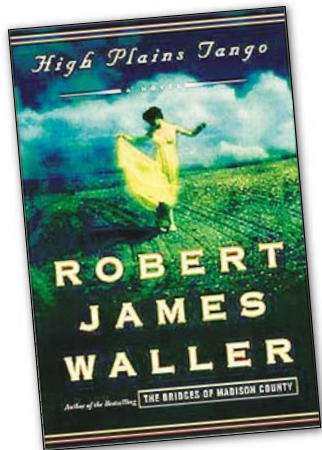
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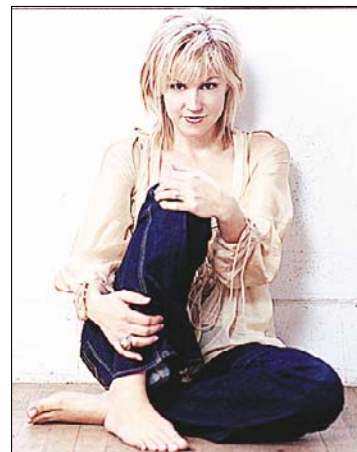
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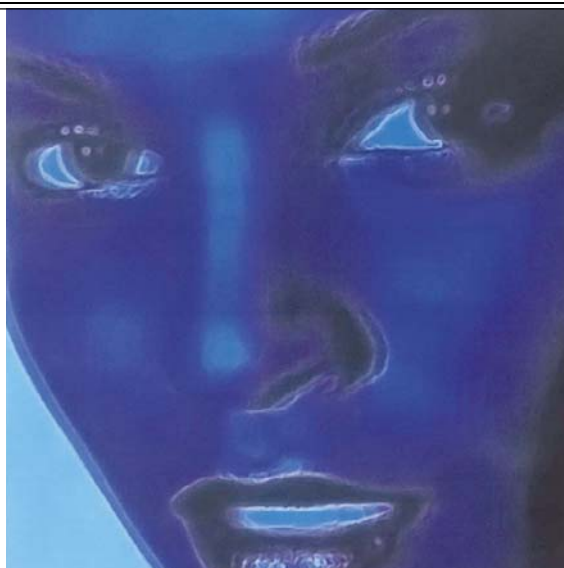
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Elvis and Emmy

Folk's Red-Dirt Girl meets new wave's Angry Young Man

MUSIC | Besides having names that begin with "E," Elvis Costello and Emmy Lou Harris seem to have a lot in common.

Sure, Harris is a little bit country and Costello is a little bit rock 'n' roll, but both artists have frequently reinvented themselves.

Costello released two albums with extremely different styles less than a month after celebrating his 50th birthday last summer, while Harris has experimented with country, pop, folk and alternative.

This weekend, they wrap up their

combined summer tour, taking the stage together at Wolf Trap. Elvis, backed by his band of Imposters, will take on Harris' country classics, while Harris will perform Costello's punk favorites.

This collaborative concert isn't the first time the two have teamed up: "The Delivery Man," Costello's 2004 release, features a guest appearance by Harris. In the narrative of the album, which centers around the title character and the women in his life, Harris plays Geraldine, the "good gal," and sings with Costello on "Heart-Shaped Bruise" and "The Scarlet Tide."

For her part, Harris, whom Costello has called "the greatest harmony singer on the face of the Earth," has kept busy over her

30-year career. The singer-turned-songwriter has worked with artists ranging from Roy Orbison to Beck, securing her place in country's mainstream and out of it.

In fact, on both 2000's "Red Dirt Girl" and 2003's "Stumble Into Grace," she wrote the majority of the releases' tracks, making her the rare artist who manages to pick up a few tricks along the way.

"Il Sogno," Costello's other release in 2004, is a ballet based on Shakespeare's "A Midsummer Night's Dream. These are two musicians who aren't afraid to try new things, which makes perfect sense for their joint tour. ERIN TROMPETER

Wolf Trap, Filene Center, 1551 Trap Rd., Vienna; Sun., 8 p.m., \$42, \$25 lawn; 703-218-6500.

Stealing Into The Spotlight

Thievery Corporation secures D.C. a place in electronica history

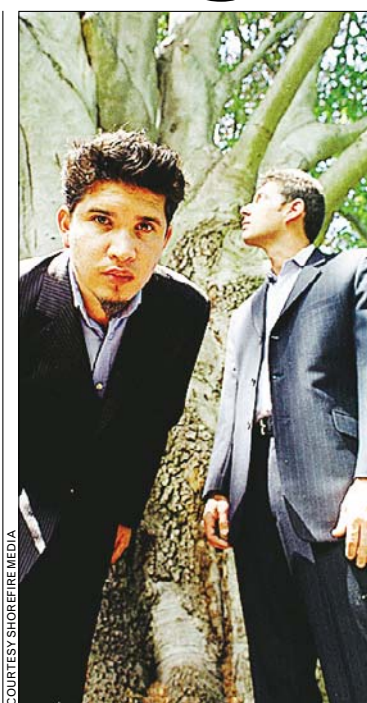
MUSIC | If you asked someone in D.C. about the local electronica music scene, they'd probably just sigh, "It's OK. But D.C. ain't putting it down like Detroit or New York."

But, if you mention D.C. to an electronica music fan outside the beltway, excitable questions like "So, how fabulous is Eighteenth Street Lounge?" usually pop up.

That sort of giddiness about D.C.'s famed ESL is generated mostly by the city's own, immensely popular Thievery Corporation.

The production duo of Rob Garza and Eric Hilton (officially known as Thievery Corporation) opened the trendy ESL nightclub at the height of the acid-jazz craze; then released its own posh discs and 12-inch singles — and a few other like-minded acts — on its boutique label, ESL.

Fashioning a sleek, cosmopolitan sound that blends elements of deep house, bossa nova, dub and trip-hop, Thievery Corporation's music comes across like the sonic equivalent of a good pair of jeans. You feel sexier simply by listening to it. The Corp's latest disc, "The Cosmic Game," is their most commercially and critically successful album yet, boasting high-profile



The Eighteenth Street Lounge helped spawn Thievery's sophisticated sound.

guest spots by David Byrne, Perry Ferrell and the Flaming Lips.

And while it'll be great to see Thievery Corporation return to its home base at ESL to celebrate its biggest album, maybe its choice of the 9:30 Club is an indication that D.C.'s electronica music scene is getting bigger. JOHN MURPH

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If the Cape Still Fits ...

Lynda Carter's profile goes 'Sky High' with a new Disney movie

SUPER HEROES | Lynda Carter first slipped into the skimpy patriotic costume of Wonder Woman nearly 30 years ago and she remains linked with the iconic superhero.

"I'm thrilled that Wonder Woman endures because every actor wants a role that has some positive effect and causes people to smile or have good memories," said the brunette beauty.

So when the busy Washington socialite, activist and mother

of two was asked to send up the super-powered character in "Sky High," a new Disney movie about a school for aspiring superheroes, she considered the offer carefully. She ultimately decided to do it because she felt she was "absolutely the right person for the role."

As Principal Powers, she is the no-nonsense headmistress of a super-secret school where the kids are trained as either "heroes" or "sidekicks."

Though hers is a supporting role, Carter nearly steals the movie as the one adult all the special-powered kids and faculty respect and fear. Her character is a force of nature.



IN HER SATIN TIGHTS/FIGHTING FOR OUR RIGHTS: To many fans of her 1970s TV show, Lynda Carter is still Wonder Woman.

The filmmakers were lucky to get her because she usually rejects roles that play off her most famous character. "Once we had the Principal Powers role, we knew we had to get Lynda Carter," said director Mike Mitchell.

Carter provided input into the look and attitude of her "Sky High"

character. "I told Mike, 'You cast me, so let's bomb her out,'" Carter said. "Give her stiletto heels, expensive-looking suits ... We should have those kids shaking in their boots when they see her walking down the hall."

Carter has learned a lot about herself since she was "Wonder

Woman." While she maintains a great figure and looks a decade younger than her actual age, she is aware that she has moved into the character and supporting-role phase of an actress' career. "It's the right time for someone my age to kind of go out of the box." ANGELA DAWSON (ENTERTAINMENT NEWS WIRE)



THE BIG GAME: In "Bad News Bears," a ragtag team of misfits ... you know the rest.

Take 10

THE WASHINGTON POST'S FILM CRITICS TACKLE THIS WEEK'S BOX-OFFICE TOP 10

1 Charlie and the Chocolate Factory

It's a masterful parade of inventiveness and will entertain the kids, for sure. But it still feels slightly frosty to the touch. DESSON THOMSON

2 The Wedding Crashers

Pure, hard R for Raunch and aRrested development, to say nothing of

Ruthlessness and iRresponsibility. It's rat-brain primitive and lung-bloatingly funny. STEPHEN HUNTER

3 Fantastic Four

Despite some nice moments of computer-generated imagery, the whole superhero shebang lacks oomph and identity. DESSON THOMSON

4 The Island

In all the rain, running around, the blurry chase scenes, endless vehicular pileups and lose-ups of Scarlett Johansson's lips and Ewan McGregor's mole, there's only the dimmest plot. ANN HORNADAY

5 The Bad News Bears

A remake with blessedly few innovations — Billy Bob Thornton still defines bitter old-guy squalor, torpor and pathology. STEPHEN HUNTER

6 War of the Worlds

Despite occasional flaws, this brilliantly told tale seizes you, holds you spell-bound and expels you, breathless and spent. STEPHEN HUNTER

7 Hustle and Flow

Though unsparing in its portrayal of the lives of prostitutes, pimps and criminals, it's also a rapturous valentine to pluck, enterprise and loyalty. ANN HORNADAY

8 The Devil's Rejects

For the right audience, this movie is the butt-kicking, dirt-talking, blood-spurting equivalent of beautiful music. DESSON THOMSON

9 Batman Begins

It doesn't jump in your face, rather emerging from the darkness to leave a powerful impression. DESSON THOMSON

10 March of the Penguins

Following a clan of charismatic and stylish emperor penguins on a perilous journey, the filmmaker has made an absorbing, visually spectacular film. ANN HORNADAY

Indies&Arties

'The World'

In Jia Zhangke's gentle romance, hope and humanity bloom amid the relentless phoniness of the World, a theme park that replaces the real thing. Landmark E Street Cinema, 555 11th St. NW; opens Fri.; 202-452-7672.

'The Venetian Dilemma'

Venice is becoming a Disney version of itself; this documentary profiles three locals who are fighting the soul-killing effects of tourism, spiffication and accessibility. National Gallery, 4th Street at Constitution Avenue NE; Thu.-Sat., free; 202-842-6799.



There's more to "The World" than meets the eye in Jia Zhangke's romance.

'Memories of Murder'

It's the Washington premier engagement of Bong Joon-ho's award-winning procedural thriller, based on the hunt for Korea's first serial-killer.

'La Cienaga' (The Swamp)

Argentinean writer-director Lucrecia Martel's hyperrealist debut, screening Sunday, about a shabby-genteel family drinking and sweating its gentility away one stagnant summer.

Also at AFI Silver

The 30th anniversary of Steven Spielberg's summer horror story gets star treatment; "Jaws" shows its teeth for the last time on Thursday.

W.C. Fields: World-Class Entertainer

continues with "Million Dollar Legs" and "The Golf Specialist" screening on Saturday. Also on Saturday, CinemAfrica features a Senegalese version of the Carmen story, "Karmen Gei." The above films are at 8633 Colesville Road, Silver Spring; 301-495-6720.

'Love Eterne'

The 1962 Hong Kong classic by Han Hsiang-li is a lyrical retelling of the Chinese opera "The Butterfly Lovers." Freer Gallery, Meyer Auditorium, 12th Street and Jefferson Avenue SW; Fri., 7 p.m.; Sun., 2 p.m.; 202-633-4880.

One Last Shake

D.C. poppers the Shakedown say thanks and good night

MUSIC | "We're a party band," explained Shakedown singer Juan Navarro. Well, they were — after six years, seven national tours, dozens of regional gigs and three albums, D.C.'s most crazed melodic-pop band will play a farewell show on Friday.

For a professional reveler, Navarro is quite organized: He maintains a press-kit of fawning clippings and an index listing every performance the band has had. The kit is full of faint praise, variously calling the group "the kings of rock in DC/MD/VA," "the best band in the world" and, simply, "sex."

The Shakes are justly beloved for their relentless hooks, guitar heroics and occasionally unhinged showmanship. Their sound's Zeppelin-size but contemporary — and has a sense of humor.

The quartet's last album was produced by Jack Endino (who



THE PARTY'S OVER: Every empire must crumble eventually. D.C.'s Shakedown became kings of local smart-pop; on Friday they turn off the speakers for good.

has worked with Nirvana and Soundgarden). They've toured with punk kingpins Murphy's Law and ska heroes the Pietasters. By any reasonable standard the Shakedown are a successful band. Good money and even better parties are just a hot single away.

But they've dropped this dream. Navarro's about to have a child and he understandably doesn't believe

that being a Shakedown makes for good parenting.

Hard-working local punks the Twats and Chicago's classic rock-rooted the Safes will open, but it'll be the Shakedown who — one last time — fill the club.

TIMOTHY J. FOLLOS

Black Cat, 1811 14th St., NW; with Thee Lexington Arrows, Fri., 9:30 p.m., \$8; 202-667-7960. (U St.-Cardozo)

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ART ABOUT TOWN: The pictures of Washington Review photographer Mary Swift tell a story of beauty, money, inspiration and drudgery — the story of the Washington arts scene. Covering 1975-2000, "Mary Swift's Washington" is a visual anthology of D.C. as a cultural incubator. Flashpoint Gallery, 916 G St. NW; through Aug. 27; 202-315-1310.

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Boys on the Range

Rascal Flatts is more than a boy band with a country-style twist

MUSIC | Rascal Flatts frontman Gary LeVoX turned 30 just a few weeks after the 2000 release of his band's self-titled debut album.

Yet to this day, even after three smash CDs and an impressive string of victories at the Country Music Association Awards, the Nashville trio is fending off accusations of being a boy band.

There are a couple of good reasons for that misconception. One, amiable Rascal songs like "Mayberry" are as middle of the road as it gets. Two, the group is the flagship act on the Lyric Street label — otherwise known as Disney's country division.

On their current disc, "Feels Like Today," the Rascals continue to buck criticism by playing their own instruments and writing their own songs. A top-grossing live act, the band performs with ace opener Blake Shelton on Friday at Nissan Pavilion.

Still on the charts almost a year



GREEN ACRES: They may be young and cute, but Rascal Flatts is full of surprises.

after its release, "Feels Like Today" is the group's biggest release to date. Its current hit, "Fast Cars and Freedom," is a rollicking ode to eternal youth.

But the album's key track is the recent smash "Bless the Broken Road," a decade-old Nitty Gritty Dirt Band composition.

It's a gorgeous ballad that seems bound to enjoy a long life

as a wedding song, with lush vocal harmonies from LeVoX, guitarist Joe Don Rooney and bassist Jay DeMarcus.

No, Disney-country will never be the hippest genre in music. But Rascal Flatts is built to last.

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Nissan Pavilion, 7800 Cellar Door Drive, Bristow, Va.; Fri., 8 p.m., \$23-\$45; 703-754-6400.

That's Where You'll Find Me

The score of 'The Wizard of Oz' gets an orchestral treatment

MUSIC | Finally, "Wizard of Oz" fans can musically enhance their viewing without having to throw Pink Floyd's "The Dark Side of the Moon" into their CD players.

Wolf Trap and the National Symphony Orchestra have it all covered. Tomorrow night, they make history, presenting "The Wizard of Oz" with a live orchestral performance of the full score.

To achieve the full effect, the film will be shown on two large screens,

one onstage above the orchestra and the other on the lawn. The orchestra will play Herbert Stothart's score in its entirety and accompany the film's trademark songs.

The NSO gets to back up the fresh-faced Judy Garland, but attendees shouldn't worry about her being drowned out by the music. The magic happens by separating the musical components of the soundtrack from the dialogue, singing and sound effects, according to Kim Witman, Wolf Trap's director of classical programming.

Sure, those effects (and the visual ones) may feel a little dated, but it's hard to deny the score's place in



Judy Garland sings "Over the Rainbow," and will again on Sunday.

pop culture. And the NSO is sure to get a workout from conductor Emil de Cou: 78 out of 102 minutes of the movie is scored. ERIN TROMPETER

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10 p.m., \$35.

Borders L Street: Leela James,
12:30 p.m., free.

Crossroads: "Anything Goes," 10 p.m.,
\$10.

DC9: "Laundry," 9 p.m., free.

Fort Reno: Travis Morrison, 7:15 p.m., free.

Fur: "Sex in the City," 10 p.m., \$10.

Improv: Flip Orley, 8:30 p.m., \$15.

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ers, 9 p.m., \$16.

Jammin' Java: DJ Williams Projekt, Mars
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Madam's Organ: Patrick Alban, 8 p.m.,
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Modern: "Lionz Den," hip-hop, 9 p.m., \$5.

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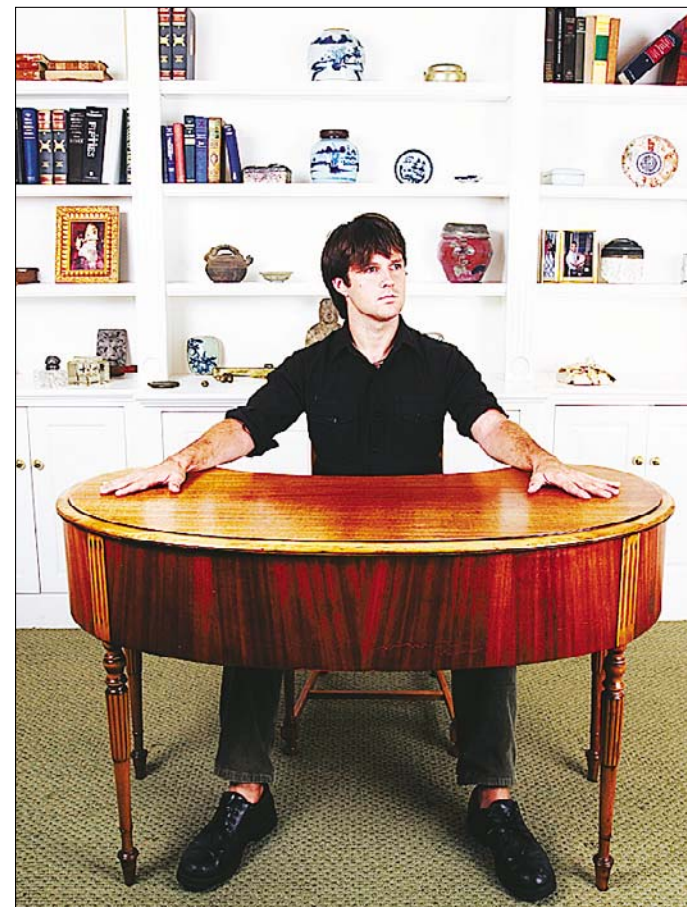
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LADIES IN LAVENDER (PG-13)
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ME YOU AND EVERYONE WE KNOW (R)
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ME & YOU & EVERYONE WE KNOW (R)
2:25, 4:45, 7:15, 9:35
MURDERBALL (R)
2:15, 4:35, 7:40, 9:50
BEAT THAT MY HEART SKIPPED (NR)
2:30, 5:00, 7:25, 9:40
HAPPY ENDINGS (R)
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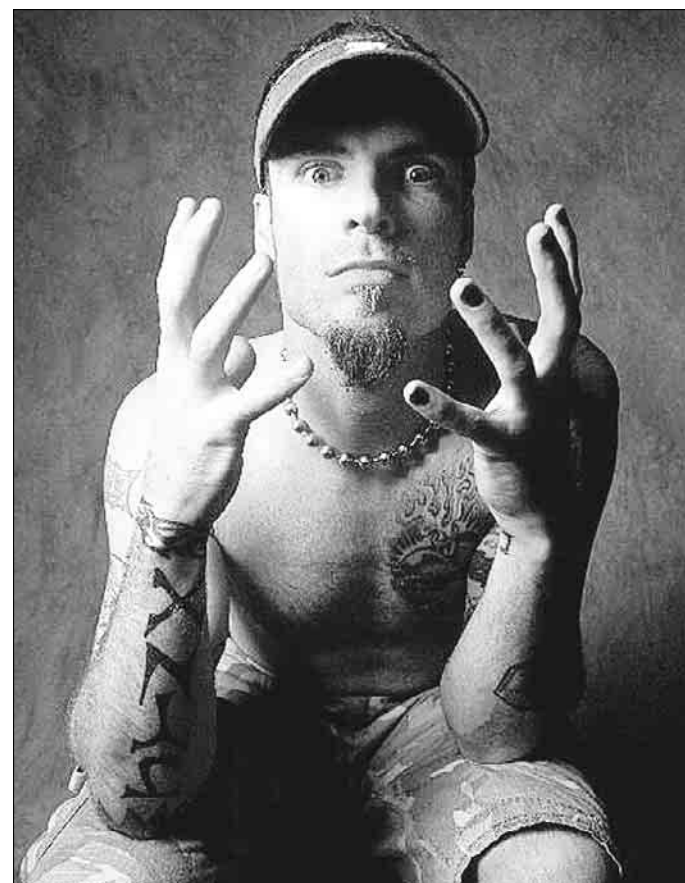
Commonwealth, 9:30 p.m., \$12.
Jammin' Java: SEV, 9:30 p.m., \$10; Paul and Storm, 7 p.m., \$10.
Juste Lounge: "Mingles," 10 p.m., \$10.
Merriweather Post Pavilion: O.A.R., Pepper, Southland, 7 p.m., \$25-\$32.
Modern: "Groove Theory," hip-hop, 9 p.m., \$10.
Nation: "Velvet," 10 p.m., \$10.
9:30 Club: Thievery Corporation, 9 p.m., sold out.
Nissan Pavilion: Widespread Panic, Cracker, 5:30 p.m., \$33.
Pearl: "Suite 901," 9 p.m., \$10.
Platinum: "Beautiful," 10 p.m., \$10.
Rams Head Live: Jamie O'Neal, 9 p.m., \$17.
Republic Gardens: "Remedy," 10 p.m., \$10.
State Theatre: Legwarmers, 9 p.m., \$12.
Velvet Lounge: Sitali, 8 p.m., \$5.
Warehouse Next Door: Ris Paul Ric, 9 p.m., \$7.
Wolf Trap: NSO, 8:30 p.m., \$18-\$38.
Zanzibar: "International Night," 10 p.m., \$10.

→ SUNDAY

Belmont Country Club: Gin Blossoms, 6 p.m., \$15.
Black Cat: Ostinato, Willowz, 9 p.m., \$7.
Blues Alley: Arturo Sandoval, 8 & 10 p.m., \$35.
Crossroads: Maxi Priest, Third World, Tanto Metro & Devonte, 4 p.m., \$25.
DC9: Northern Chorus, 9 p.m., \$7.
Five: "Velvet," 10 p.m., \$10.
Galaxy Hut: Pharmacy Prophets, 9:45 p.m., free.
Improv: Flip Orley, 8 p.m., \$15.
Iota Club & Café: Kat Parsons, 8:30 p.m., \$10.
Jammin' Java: Bomb Squad, 7:30 p.m., \$10.
MCI Center: Destiny's Child, Amerie, Mario, 7 p.m., \$52.50-\$77.50.
Rams Head Tavern: Hot Tuna, 5:30 & 8:30 p.m., \$41.50.
Warehouse Next Door: Wives, Navies, 8:30 p.m., \$7.
Wolf Trap: Elvis Costello & the Imposters, Emmylou Harris, 8 p.m., \$25-\$42.

Sight

Conner Contemporary Art: Works by John Kirchner and Leo Villareal, through July 30. 1730 Connecticut Ave. NW; 202-588-8750.
Corcoran Gallery of Art: Shomei Tomatsu: The Skin of a Nation. Japanese photography, through Aug. 29. Current Evince: Selected Prints by William T.



TO MANA GEMENT

It's a Cold World

→ **WHAT DOES VANILLA ICE WANT?** There's no need to dredge up the man's sorry early history — flat-top rapper, fake-ass b-boy, huge single, bad movie — to understand that he's, uh, conflicted. So he makes skate-punk/cheeba funk/hardcore records, tries to duck both his old-school label and his unlikely real name (Rob Van Winkle — that has to suck for a kid), goes on a reality show and is now doing some sort of act at Jaxx to the delight of either ironists or very young kids. Whatever music he's making nowadays — you have to admire a true American comeback story. Jaxx, Fri., 7:30 p.m., \$20; 6355 Rolling Road, Springfield; 703-569-5940.

Wiley from the Smithsonian American Art Museum, drawings from the whimsical California artist, through Sept 12; Loop, Jennifer Steinmkamp's colorful computer-animated video installations, through Sept. 30. The Corcoran Print Portfolio: Drawn to Representation, through Aug. 21. 500 17th St. NW; 202-639-1700.

Flashpoint: Mary Swift's Washington: The Arts Scene, 1975-2000. The photographer's works, July 21-Aug. 27. 916 G St. NW; 202-315-1310.

Folger Shakespeare Library: David Garrick (1717-1779): A Theatrical Life. A portrait of the great actor, manager and playwright, through Aug. 28. 201 E. Capitol St. SE; 202-544-7077.

Fraser Gallery: Ninth Annual Georgetown International Art Competition, through Aug. 17. 1054 31st St. NW; 202-298-6450.

Fraser Gallery: "Annual Summer Group Show," through Sept. 14. 7700 Wisconsin

Ave., Bethesda; 301-718-9651.

Freer Gallery of Art/Arthur M. Sackler Gallery: Cai Guo-Qiang: Traveler, through July 31. In the Realm of Princes: The Arts of the Book in Fifteenth-Century Iran and Central Asia, through Aug. 7. "Boating on a River," through Aug. 21. Chinese Pots for Tabletop Gardens, through Sept. 5. Caravan Kingdoms: Yemen and the Ancient Incense Trade, through Sept. 10. Chinese Mountain of Immortality, through Sept. 25. Rusticity Refined: Kyoto Ceramics by Ninsei, through Oct. 23. Games, Contests and Artful Play in Japan, through Oct. 23. Smithsonian Institution; 202-633-4880.

LAST CHANCE Landscaping: Marcel Dinahet, Joseph Dumbacher, John Dumbacher, Jason Falchook, Jason Gubbiotti, Jason Phillips, Ian Whitmore, and Mike Wsol, through July 30. Fusebox Gallery,

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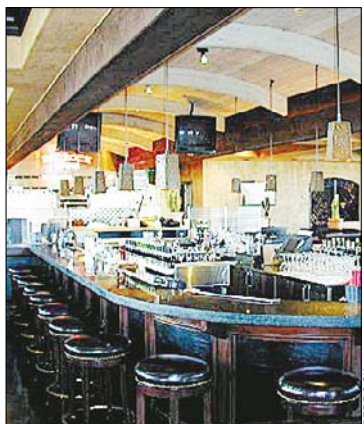
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To the rabid gastronomers or infrequent diners alike: Don't forget, Restaurant Week starts Monday. A three-course lunch will set you back just \$20.05; a three-course dinner just \$30.05. Plan your dining strategy at www.washington.org/restaurantwk and reserve your table at OpenTable.com.

DEBUTS

2nd Outpost in Silver Spring

The Silver Spring dining explosion will continue with the opening of the second **REDROCK CANYON GRILL** on Monday. The menu is straightforward and unfussy, including meatloaf, steaks and the we-dare-you-to-say-it-and-not-just-point-to-the-menu Cluck-n-Moo, which



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928 Ellsworth Drive; 301-589-1330. (Silver Spring)

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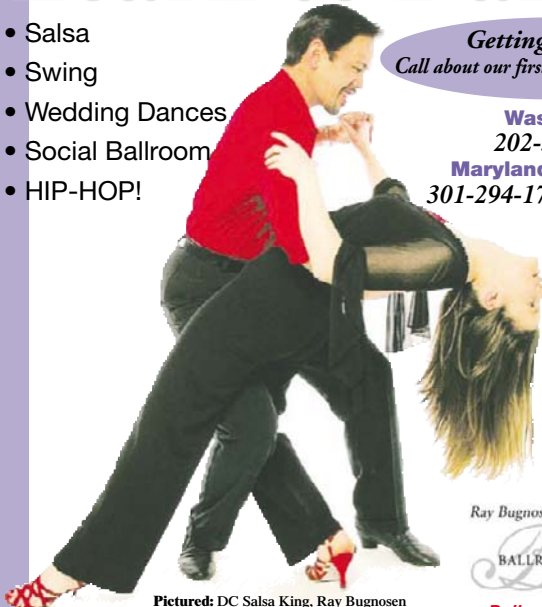
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Govinda Gallery: Ken Regan: Photographs of the Rolling Stones, through Aug. 13, 1227 34th St. NW; 202-333-1180.

Hillwood Museum: Eva Zeisel: The Playful Search for Beauty. The potter and designer's charming objects, through Dec. 4, 1227 34th St. NW; 202-686-5807.

Hirshhorn Museum and Sculpture Gallery: Visual Music, through Sept. 11. Gyroscope, through Dec. 31, 7th St. & Independence Ave. SW; 202-633-1000.

Inter-American Development Bank: Paradox and Coexistence II, through Aug. 26, 1300 New York Ave. NW; 202-623-1000.

International Spy Museum: "The Enemy Within: Terror in America — 1776 to Today," through Sept. 5, 800 F St. NW; 202-393-7798.

Irvine Contemporary Art: Introductions, emerging artists show, July 21–Sept. 3, 1710 Connecticut Ave. NW; 202-332-8767.

LAST CHANCE Kathleen Ewing Gallery: Birdhouses. Three-dimensional birdhouses, photographs, drawings and sculptures by national and local artists, through Sept. 2, 1609 Connecticut Ave. NW; 202-328-0955.

Kreeger Museum: On Music: Tim Rollins + KOS, through July 31, 2401 Foxhall Road NW; 202-337-3050.

Lee Recreation Center: Alfredo Rati-noff: Garden Mosaic Mural, through Aug. 24, 5722 Lee Highway, Arlington; 703-228-0550.

National Archives: Americans in Paris,

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MIST, MIRRORS AND MEMORIES: The enigmatic paintings and assemblages of Ethiopian-born artist Assefa Yeshiwork, on display now at Salve Regina Gallery at Catholic University, are a compelling mix of strong composition and the spiderweb-and-smoke fragility of his figures and the dreamlike palimpsest of the landscapes they haunt.

through Sept. 5, Constitution Avenue & 9th Street NW; 202-357-5000.

National Building Museum: Kids' View of the City, local students' neighborhood design projects, through July 31. Jewish Washington: Scrapbook of an American Community, through Jan. 8. Tools of the Imagination. Architects' and designers'

tools, through Oct. 10. Liquid Stone: New Architecture in Concrete, through Jan. 29, 401 F St. NW; 202-272-2448.

National Gallery of Art: Gilbert Stuart. More than 90 works by the early-American portraitist, through July 31. Jan de Bray and the Classical Tradition, through Aug. 14. Irving Penn: Platinum Prints.

Sumptuous photographs by the American master, through Oct. 2. Winslow Homer, through Feb. 20. Asher B. Durand's Kindred Spirits, through Feb. 28, 600 Constitution Ave. NW; 202-737-4215.

National Geographic Society: "Tut Unwrapped." Exploring the life of the ancient Egyptian king, through Aug. 21.



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National Museum of African Art:

Treasures. Highlights of the museum's pieces and private collections, through Aug. 15. Textures: Word and Symbol in Contemporary African Art, through Sept. 9. Where Gods and Mortals Meet: Continuity and Renewal in Urhobo Art, through Sept. 25. 950 Independence Ave. SW; 202-633-4600.

National Museum of American History:

Disneyland: The First 50 Years, through Sept. 5. Smithsonian Magazine: Through Our Readers' Eyes, through Sept. 5. Selma to Montgomery: The 40th Anniversary of the Voting Rights March, through Sept. 27. Chasing Venus: Observing the Transits of Venus, 1631-2004, through Sept. 30. Azucar! The Life and Music of Celia Cruz, through May 18. Whatever Happened to Polio, through April 12. 14th Street and Constitution Avenue NW; 202-633-1000.

National Museum of Women in the Arts:

Women & Blues featuring Amalia Amaki's Buttons, Bows & Blues, through Sept. 25. M.L. Van Nice, The Library at Wadi Ben Daugh, a speculative book repository of memory and personality, through Nov. 6. 1250 New York Ave. NW; 202-783-5000.

National Postal Museum:

In the Line of Duty: Dangers, Disasters and Good Deeds. Heroism among carriers and other postal workers, through Oct. 7. Stamps Take Flight, through March 19. 2 Massachusetts Ave. NE; 202-633-1000.

Octagon Museum:

The Initiated Eye: Paintings by Peter Waddell, exploring Masonic symbolism in Washington, D.C., through Dec. 31. 1799 New York Avenue



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Suburban Monster

→ **IT'S JUST ANOTHER DAY** in a leafy suburb of D.C.: Wendy's a mess, continually let down by the men in her life, such as her congressman husband who's now serving time for bribery, and their son, Dylan, is being stalked by a chagwa. That's an eight-eyed sort of back yard Bigfoot whose craving for meat is such that he rips his victims limb from limb and swallows their flesh. Julia Slavin's new novel, "Carnivore Diet," is a darkly funny look at futility and failure, a world in the grip of fear of the vast unknown and the humanity that bubbles to the surface when circumstances scream for the comforts of nihilism. The local author reads from and signs the book at Politics & Prose, 5015 Connecticut Ave. NW; Thu., 7 p.m., free; 202-364-1919. (Van Ness-UDC)

NW; 202-638-3221.

Phillips Collection: Hiroshige: East Meets West, through Sept. 4. 1600 21st St. NW; 202-387-2151.

Pyramid Atlantic: Expressing Our Identity. A group show by area youths exploring cultural identity and other issues through the ARTvantage program, through Aug. 30. 8230 Georgia Ave., Silver Spring; 301-608-9101.

LAST CHANCE Dillon Ripley Center:

Close Up in Black: African-American Film Posters, through July 28. Young Visions of Community, through Aug. 21. 1100 Jefferson Drive SW; 202-633-1000.

Salve Regina Gallery at Catholic University of America: Assefa Yeshi-work's Selected Paintings 1998-2005, through Aug. 11. 620 Michigan Ave. NE; 202-319-5282.

LAST CHANCE Spectrum Gallery:

LC! Paintings by Dennis Crayon and Carol Lareus, through July 28. 1132 29th St. NW; 202-333-0954.

Strathmore Fine Art: Lindsay Harper Makepeace's watercolors and etchings of Rock Creek Park, Martha's Vineyard and India, through Aug. 27. 10701 Rockville Pike, Bethesda, Md.; 301-530-0540.

Textile Museum: "Gods and Empire:

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Huari Ceremonial Textiles, through Jan. 15. Textiles for This World and Beyond: Treasures from Insular Southeast Asia, through Sept. 18. 2320 S St. NW; 202-667-0441.

Touchstone Gallery: Self Portraits: A Members Group Exhibition, Angst for the Mammaries, Copper on Canvas Portraits, through Aug. 7. 406 7th St. NW; 202-347-2787.

Transformer Gallery: E2: Carving a Path, emerging artists show, through Aug. 6. 1404 P St. NW; 202-483-1102.

United States Botanic Garden: Pots: From Necessity to Artistry, through Oct. 17. A Place to Take Root: The History of Flowerpots & Garden Containers in North America, through Oct. 17. Six Plants We Can't Live Without, ongoing. 100 Maryland Ave. SW; 202-225-8333.

Warehouse Theater: Seven, an exhibit of WPA/C artists, through Sept. 9. 1021 7th St. NW; 202-783-3933.

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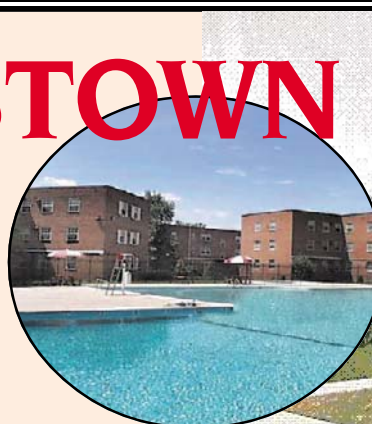


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& Dancers: Starring recent NEA honoree Chum Ngek, July 28, free. Freer Gallery of Art/Arthur M. Sackler Gallery, Smithsonian Institution; 202-633-4880.

The Children's Hour: Firebelly Productions presents Lillian Hellman's drama of gossip and rumors in a girls' school, through Aug. 7, \$15. Theatre on the Run, 3700 S. Four Mile Run Drive, Arlington; 703-228-1850.

Cinderella: The beloved fairy tale comes to life, through Aug. 21, \$15. Classika Theatre, 4041 28th St. S., Arlington; 703-824-6200.

The Clean House: Sarah Ruhl's drama about a Brazilian maid, two sisters, a mysterious stranger, jokes, sprawl and order through Aug. 14, \$30-\$48. Woolly Mammoth, 641 D St. NW; 202-393-3939.

Crowns: Local production of the contemporary musical by Regina Taylor, adapted from the popular book featuring "portraits of black women in church hats," through Aug. 7, \$64-\$69. Arena Stage, 1101 6th St.

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THIS WEEKEND ONLY Hogwash

School of Magic, Juggling & Comedy: Starring local magician and showman Robert Strong, through July 29, \$5. Discovery Theater, 900 Jefferson Drive SW; 202-357-1500.

Hyronomous A. Frog, the Frog Prince:

The fable of the bewitched prince and his predicament, for children, July 30-Sept. 4, \$7. Adventure Theatre, 7300 MacArthur Blvd., Glen Echo, Md.; 301-320-5331.

LAST CHANCE The Intelligent

Design of Jenny Chow: Local production of the contemporary comedy from Rolin Jones, through July 31, \$25. Studio Theatre, 1501 14th St. NW; 202-332-3300.

Jackie: The eight-person local group of

comedians specializes in committed, long-form improv; Jackie is a subset of Washington Improv Theater, July 29-Aug. 20, \$10. DCAC, 2438 18th St. NW; 202-462-7833.

James and the Giant Peach: Local

production of the play, adapted by David Wood from the Roald Dahl book, through Aug. 14, \$10-\$15. Imagination Stage, 4908 Auburn Ave., Bethesda; 301-280-1660.

THIS WEEKEND ONLY K2 Dance

Company: Modern works by Katrina Toews and company, July 30-31, \$18. Dance Place, 3225 8th St. NE; 202-269-1600.

LAST CHANCE Lady Windermere's

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The Lion King: Catch the award-winning

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Nazareth: The clean Christian comic

cracks up like-minded audiences, July 20, 8:30 p.m., \$10 in advance, \$12 at the door. Synergy, 4935 Harford Ave., Beltsville, Md.; 240-351-7458.

THIS WEEKEND ONLY One Touch

of Venus: American Century Theater staged singing and reading of Kurt Weill's musical comedy, July 28-31, free. Gunston Arts Center, 2700 S. Lang St., Arlington; 703-228-6960.



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The Persians: Scena Theatre's production of Aeschylus' drama was adapted and updated by Robert Auletta, who moved the setting to the First Gulf War, through Aug. 14, \$30. Gala Theatre, 3333 14th St. NW; 202-234-7174.

Potomac Theatre Project: The alternative theater company presents Neal Bell's "Somewhere in the Pacific"; Edward Albee's "The American Dream" with Harold Pinter's "Press Conference/One for the Road"; Snoo Wilson's "Lovesong of the Electric Bear," through Aug. 7, \$10. Olney Theatre Center, 2001 Olney-Sandy Spring Road, Olney, Md.; 410-481-7328.

The Royal Hunt of the Sun: Washington Shakespeare Company production of the historical epic, set in 16th-century South America, by U.K. playwright Peter Shaffer, through Aug. 28, \$22-\$30. Clark Street Playhouse, 601 S. Clark St., Arlington; 703-418-4808.

LAST CHANCE Seussical the Musical: Encore Stage production of the exuberant 2001 Broadway hit, through July 31, \$15. Thomas Jefferson Theater, 3501 2nd St. S., Arlington; 703-228-6960.

Stupid Frailty: A one-woman play about death and dating in D.C. by local playwright and performer Laura Zam, through July 31, \$16, includes dinner. Sweet Mango Cafe, 3701 New Hampshire Ave. NW; 800-494-8497 or www.musefire.org.

Take Me Out: Local production of Richard Greenberg's award-winning play about a gay baseball player, through Aug. 7, \$25-\$48. Studio Theatre, 1501 14th St. NW; 202-332-3300.

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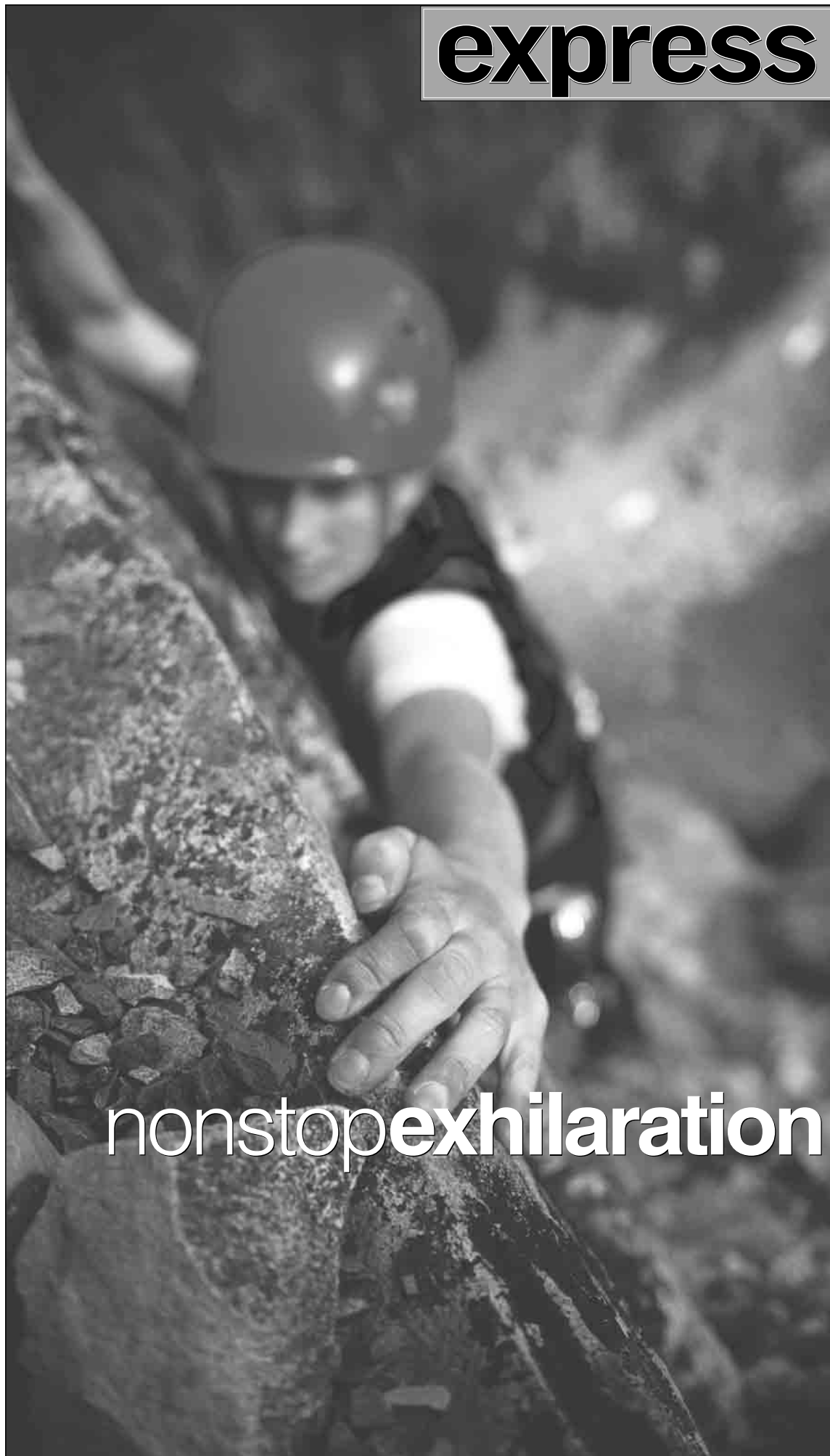
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THE NEW OLD NEW WAVE: The Legwarmers, at State Theatre on Saturday, are so '80s they're practically turning Japanese.

THURSDAY

"Indie Rock Karaoke" isn't an event we hear about too often, but the organizers of Indie Rock Karaoke at **STACCATO** came up with a way: Bring your own song(s) on CD or iPod, grab a mic and sing along. Each singer gives a "suggested donation" of \$5, which goes to the Washington Children's Hospital Foundation.

OK, so Fritz already blogged (blogs.washingtonpost.com/going_out_gurus) about the new outdoor happy hour at **CAPITOL CITY BREWING COMPANY** on Capitol Hill, but here's a recap: Every Thursday from 6 to 8 p.m., head brewer Pete Velez brings a barrel of one of his beers out onto the patio, taps it and serves up pints for \$2.50 a pop. These are one-off cask-conditioned ales, an English style that's served slightly warmer with low carbonation.

If you step inside **CADA VEZ** on an evening where one of the area's many hard-working local soul acts has set up shop, then you've at least got the makings of a good night. YaMama'Nym is one of those groups that has taken the "soulful R&B cover band" aesthetic and expanded it with satisfying original material. K'Alyn performs in the second set.

FRIDAY

We haven't checked out the new 6 Degrees Afterwork happy hour at **SOUTH BEACH CAFÉ** yet, but it's worth



Dancefloors respond to reggae superstar Maxi Priest's voluptuous beats.

a mention because, to our knowledge, it's the only after-work event in Bethesda that caters to an African-American clientele. A half-priced menu is available until 7:30 p.m., along with a DJ spinning hip-hop, R&B, reggae and old-school.

Anyone addicted to VH1 will enjoy tonight's back-to-back covers show at the **STATE THEATRE**. The Reflex blasts its way through Duran Duran, Heart, the Violent Femmes and those '80s flashback favorites before passing the baton to Gonzo's Nose, which performs hits from the '90s. If you want a night of pure, overblown '80s shenanigans, including costumes and bad wigs, the Legwarmers take over the

State on Saturday night. We can't say enough good things about these guys and their fun-loving fans.

SATURDAY

"Nightlife in your nighties" is the theme of tonight's pajama party at **CARPOOL** in Herndon. A fundraiser for the Children's Inn at NIH, this is an event where "evening wear" consists of silk bathrobes, oversized T-shirts and flannel boxer shorts. In addition to billiards, a DJ and dancing, organizers are offering a "Best Pajamas" contest, raffles and midnight snacks. Admission is \$5, or \$3 if you arrive in your pajamas. It all gets under way at 8 p.m.

SUNDAY

The day Maxi Priest's "I Just Want to Be Close to You" fails to fill a dance floor is the day Rhyme will have to pawn his turntables. Don't pass up a chance to see "the King of Lovers Rock" at the **CROSSROADS** "Outdoor Splash" party in Bladensburg.

Omarion? Ray-J? No, it's Mario, one of the current crop of baby-faced warblers who heats up the R&B charts and makes the young ladies squeal. We can't front, though, because his "Let Me Love You" is kind of crucial and forecasts some possible grown-up appeal. He's at **DAEDALUS** tonight; ladies get in free before 10 p.m.

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